

GENERAL SYNOD

FEBRUARY GROUP OF SESSIONS 2016

SEVENTH NOTICE PAPER

Notice of motions and amendments received. Amendments will subsequently be marshalled, in the order in which they are to be taken, on the daily Order Papers.

ITEM 14

PROPOSED ENABLING MEASURE (GS 2018)

Clive Scowen (London) to move as an amendment:

After “GS 2018” *insert* “, subject to provision being made for a prescribed number of members of General Synod to be able to give notice in advance of the group of sessions at which a draft Order is due to be considered requiring that consideration of the draft Order should proceed as if it were a draft Measure”.

ITEM 17

RENEWAL AND REFORM: RESOURCING MINISTERIAL EDUCATION (GS 2020)

The Revd Andrew Dotchin (St Edmundsbury and Ipswich) to move as an amendment:

Leave out paragraph (c) and *insert*–

“(–) welcome the progress made with the new funding arrangements, but consider that current proposals are not yet satisfactory;

(–) request that further work be done with Theological Education Institutions and dioceses to ensure a fairer distribution of funding for the training of ministerial students, across age and gender”.

SPECIAL AGENDA III PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

The following Private Member's Motion has been received and will be available for signature in the Bishop Partridge Hall:

FIXED ODDS BETTING TERMINALS: REDUCTION OF MAXIMUM STAKE

That this Synod, mindful of (a) the destructive impact which accessible, high stake machine gambling can have on families and whole communities and (b) the widespread public concern about the very large amounts being wagered at fixed odds betting terminals located in high street betting shops, call on Her Majesty's Government as a matter of urgency to reduce very substantially from £100 the maximum amount which may be wagered on a single game at such terminals in order to reduce the real risk of harm to large numbers of vulnerable people.

CHOIR PRACTICE

A newly forming Synod choir will rehearse on Tuesday lunchtime from 1.45 – 2.15 p.m. in the Chapel to become familiar with the music for Wednesday's Communion service. All are welcome.

DON'T STOP AT THE LIGHTS

Free copies of *Don't Stop at the Lights: Leading your Church Through a Changing Climate* are available for Synod members to take home. This popular book by Claire Foster and David Shreeve, updated for 2016, includes environmental theology and practical action for churches throughout the Christian year. Please pick up your free copy from the Bishop Partridge Hall.