

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2014 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 6.35 P.M.
ON FRIDAY 11TH JULY 2014

WORSHIP

The Revd Canon Dr Rosemarie Mallett led the Synod in an act of worship.

INTRODUCTIONS

1 The following introductions were made:

New members

The Rt Revd Peter Hancock, the Bishop of Bath & Wells (Bath & Wells) (who had replaced the Rt Revd Peter Price)

The Rt Revd Nick Baines, the Bishop of Leeds (Leeds) (in his new rôle as Bishop of Leeds)

The Rt Revd Robert Atwell, the Bishop of Exeter (Exeter) (who had replaced the Rt Revd Michael Langrish)

The Rt Revd Nigel Stock, the Bishop to the Forces (who had succeeded the Rt Revd Stephen Venner, who had not taken up his place on the Synod)

The Revd Mark Gilbert (Chichester) (who had replaced the Revd Richard Jackson)

The Revd Brian Llewellyn (Europe) (who had replaced the Ven. Jonathan Lloyd)

The Revd Nigel Irons (Lichfield) (who had replaced the Revd Canon Wealands Bell)

The Revd Jane Nattrass (York) (who had replaced the Ven. Paul Ferguson)

Mrs Judith Ayers (Exeter) (who had replaced Mr Charles Hodgson)

Mr Geoffrey Shuttleworth (Birmingham) (who had replaced Mr Robert Holgate)

The Ven. Jonathan Chaffey QHC (Forces Synodical Council) (who had succeeded the Ven. Ray Pentland)

The Rt Revd David Hamid (Suffragan Bishop in Europe) acting for the Bishop of Gibraltar in Europe during the vacancy in See, the Rt Revd Ian Brackley (Bishop of Dorking) acting for the Bishop of Guildford during the vacancy in See, and the Rt Revd Alastair Magowan (Bishop of Ludlow) acting for the Bishop of Hereford during the vacancy in See were also welcomed by the Synod.

WELCOME TO ANGLICAN AND ECUMENICAL GUESTS

The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK welcomed the following Anglican and ecumenical guests:

The Rt Revd Kevin Pearson (Bishop of Argyll and the Isles, Scottish Episcopal Church)

Dr Irmgard Schwaetzer (Präses of the Synod of the Evangelical Church in Germany (EKD))

The Revd Karsten Wolkenhauer (Personal Assistant to the Präses and the Präsidium of the EKD Synod)

- 2 At the invitation of the Presidents, Dr Irmgard Schwaetzer, Präses of the Synod of the EKD, addressed the Synod under Standing Order 112.

PROGRESS OF MEASURES AND STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

- 3 The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK reported that:

the Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure had received the Royal Assent. All the provisions of the Measure had come into force on 19 May 2014, except section 2; section 7; section 12; and paragraphs 7 and 9, and sub-paragraphs (4), (5) and (12) of paragraph 19 of Schedule 2. These provisions would all come into force at a later date;

the Legal Officers (Annual Fees) Order 2014 and the Parochial Fees and Scheduled Matters Amending Order 2014 had been laid before Parliament and would come into force on 1 January 2015;

the Legal Officers (Annual Fees) (Amendment) Order 2014 had been laid before Parliament and had come into force on 20 April 2014.

REPORT BY THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE (GS 1949)

- 4 The motion

‘That the Synod do take note of this Report.’

was carried.

APPOINTMENTS TO THE ARCHBISHOPS’ COUNCIL (GS 1950)

- 5 The motion

‘That the appointment of Mrs Mary Chapman for a term ending on 31 December 2017 be approved.’

was carried.

- 6 The motion

‘That the appointment of Mr Philip Fletcher for a term ending on 31 December 2016 be approved.’

was carried.

7 The motion

‘That the appointment of the Revd Dr Rosalyn Murphy for a term ending on 31 December 2016 be approved.’

was carried.

8 The motion was not moved.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS
DRAFT BISHOPS AND PRIESTS (CONSECRATION AND ORDINATION OF
WOMEN) MEASURE (GS 1925B)
DRAFT AMENDING CANON NO. 33 (GS 1926B)**

(Article 7 and 8 Business)

Report by the Business Committee on the Article 8 Reference (GS 1951)

501 The motion

‘That the Synod do take note of this Report.’

was carried.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS
DRAFT BISHOPS AND PRIESTS (CONSECRATION AND ORDINATION OF
WOMEN) MEASURE (GS 1925B)
DRAFT AMENDING CANON NO. 33 (GS 1926B)**

(Article 7 and 8 Business)

Draft Measure and draft Amending Canon for Final Drafting (Revised February 2014)

Report by the Steering Committee (GS 1925-6Z)

502 The motion

‘That the Synod do take note of this Report.’

was carried.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS
DRAFT SAFEGUARDING AND CLERGY DISCIPLINE MEASURE (GS 1952)**

Draft Measure for First Consideration

519 The motion

‘That the Measure entitled “Safeguarding and Clergy Discipline Measure” be considered for revision in committee.’

was carried.

The Chair reported that the draft Measure now stood automatically committed to a Revision Committee and that notice of amendments must be submitted to the Clerk to the Synod not later than 5.30 p.m. on Friday 15th August 2014.

SPECIAL AGENDA I LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS DRAFT AMENDING CANON NO. 34 (GS 1953)

Draft Amending Canon for First Consideration

520 The motion

‘That the Canon entitled “Amending Canon No. 34” be considered for revision in committee.’

was carried.

The Chair reported that the draft Amending Canon now stood automatically committed to a Revision Committee and that notice of amendments must be submitted to the Clerk to the Synod not later than 5.30 p.m. on Friday 15th August 2014.

EVENING WORSHIP

The Revd Canon Sally Baylis led the Synod in an act of worship.

FORTY-NINTH REPORT OF THE STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE (GS 1954)

Under Standing Order 39(c) the proposed amendments to the Standing Orders contained in items 32, 33, 34, 35 and 38 of the First Notice Paper were deemed to have been approved by the General Synod without amendment with effect from 16th July 2014, no member having given notice of a wish to have the amendments debated.

DRAFT ECCLESIASTICAL OFFICERS (TERMS OF SERVICE) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2014 (GS 1962)

Regulations made under the Ecclesiastical Offices (Terms of Service) Measure 2009

Under Standing Order 69 the draft Ecclesiastical Officers (Terms of Service) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 were deemed to have been approved by the General Synod, no member having given notice of a wish to have the Regulations debated.

ECCLESIASTICAL JUDGES, LEGAL OFFICERS AND OTHERS (FEES) ORDER 2014 (GS 1963)

Order made under the Ecclesiastical Fees Measure 1986

Under Standing Order 69 the Ecclesiastical Judges, Legal Officers and Others (Fees) Order 2014 was deemed to have been approved by the General Synod, no member having given notice of a wish to have the Order debated.

DECLARATIONS BY THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS (GS 1946 and GS 1947)

Declarations made under the Clergy Discipline Measure 2003

Under Standing Order 69 the Declarations made by the House of Bishops were deemed to have been approved by the General Synod, no member having given notice of a wish to have the Declarations debated.

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BUSINESS DONE AT 10.00 P.M.
ON FRIDAY 11TH JULY 2014

WELCOME TO THE YOUNG ANGLICAN OBSERVERS

The young Anglican observers sitting in the public gallery were welcomed by the Synod.

QUESTIONS

9 Questions 1 to 49, as set out in the Questions Notice Paper, were answered.

The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK dismissed the Synod with the blessing at 10.00 p.m.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2014 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 1.05 P.M.
ON SATURDAY 12TH JULY 2014

MORNING WORSHIP

The Archdeacon of Lincoln led the Synod in an act of worship.

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

10 The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK gave a Presidential Address.

FORTY-NINTH REPORT OF THE STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE (GS 1954)

36 The motion

‘That this amendment be made with effect from 16th July 2014:

Standing Order 123 (Secretary General)

“(a) The person appointed by the Archbishops’ Council in accordance with paragraph 16 of schedule 1 to the National Institutions Measure 1998 as Secretary General of the Council shall, subject to the approval of the Synod, be the Secretary General of the Synod. Such approval will be deemed to have been given unless, within 14 days of notification being sent to the members of the Synod, 40 or more members give notice in accordance with SO 12 that they wish the appointment to be debated. If 40 or more members give such notice the appointment will only be approved upon the Synod passing a resolution to that effect.”.’

was moved.

39 The amendment (Order Paper II) was lost.

40 The amendment (Order Paper II) was lost.

41 The amendment (Order Paper II) was lost.

36 The motion

‘That this amendment be made with effect from 16th July 2014:

Standing Order 123 (Secretary General)

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was carried.

37 The motion

‘That this amendment be made with effect from 16th July 2014:

Standing Order 123A (Clerk)

In Standing Order 123A for paragraph (a) *substitute* –

“(a) The Presidents, on the advice of the Business Committee, shall appoint a person to be the Clerk to the Synod, such appointment to be subject to the approval of the Synod. Such approval will be deemed to have been given unless, within 14 days of notification being sent to the members of the Synod, 40 or more members give notice in accordance with SO 12 that they wish the appointment to be debated. If 40 or more members give such notice the appointment will only be approved upon the Synod passing a resolution to that effect.”’

was moved.

42 The amendment (Order Paper II) was not moved.

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37 The motion

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more members give such notice the appointment will only be approved upon the Synod passing a resolution to that effect.”

was carried.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS
AMENDING CANON NO. 31 (GS 1877D)**

Canon for Enactment (Final Approval November 2013)

The Chair reported that the Royal Assent and Licence to promulge Amending Canon No. 31 had been received and the Registrar read the Instrument of Enactment.

508 The motion

‘That the Canon entitled “Amending Canon No. 31” be promulged and executed.’

was carried.

The Instrument of Enactment was signed by the Archbishops, the Prolocutors and the Chair and Vice-Chair of the House of Laity.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS
DRAFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND (PENSIONS) (AMENDMENT) MEASURE (GS 1936A)**

Draft Measure for Revision (First Consideration February 2014)

With the permission of the Chair certain items were taken *en bloc* under Standing Order 55(c).

Clauses 1 and 2

525 The motion

‘That clauses 1 and 2 stand part of the Measure.’

was carried.

Long Title

526 The motion

‘That the Long Title stand part of the Measure.’

was carried.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS
DRAFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND (PENSIONS) (AMENDMENT) MEASURE (GS
1936A)**

Draft Measure for Final Approval

510 The motion

‘That the Measure entitled “Church of England (Pensions) (Amendment) Measure” be finally approved.’

was carried after a division by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	22	0
Clergy	136	0
Laity	157	0

No abstentions were recorded in the House of Bishops, 1 in the House of Clergy and 1 in the House of Laity.

The Chair reported that the draft Church of England (Pensions) (Amendment) Measure now stood committed to the Legislative Committee.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS
CONVOCATIONS (ELECTIONS TO UPPER HOUSE) (AMENDMENT)
RESOLUTION 201- (GS 1903A)
CLERGY REPRESENTATION RULES (AMENDMENT) RESOLUTION 201- (GS
1904A)
CHURCH REPRESENTATION RULES (AMENDMENT) [(No. 2)] RESOLUTION
201- (GS 1905A)**

Draft Amending Canon and Instruments for Revision (First Consideration July 2013)

Report by the Revision Committee (GS 1902-5Y)

511 The motion

‘That the Synod do take note of this Report.’

was carried.

DRAFT AMENDING CANON NO. 32 (GS 1902A)

With the permission of the Chair certain items were taken *en bloc* under Standing Order 55(c).

Paragraph 1

527 The amendment (Order Paper II) lapsed.

528 The amendment (Order Paper II) was lost.

529 The amendment (Order Paper II) was lost after a division by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	5	17
Clergy	53	69
Laity	67	65

No abstentions were recorded in the House of Bishops, 6 in the House of Clergy and 4 in the House of Laity.

530 The amendment (Order Paper II) was carried.

531 The amendment (Order Paper II) was carried after a division by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	12	10
Clergy	71	64
Laity	76	61

No abstentions were recorded in the House of Bishops, 3 in the House of Clergy and 2 in the House of Laity.

532 The motion

‘That paragraph 1 as amended stand part of the Canon.’

was carried.

Paragraphs 2-3

533 The motion

‘That paragraphs 2 and 3 stand part of the Canon.’

was carried.

The Chair reported that the draft Amending Canon stood committed to the Steering Committee in respect of its final drafting.

**CONVOICATIONS (ELECTIONS TO UPPER HOUSE) (AMENDMENT)
RESOLUTION 201- (GS 1903A)**

With the permission of the Chair certain items were taken *en bloc* under Standing Order 55(c).

Paragraphs 1-5

534 The motion

‘That paragraphs 1-5 stand part of the Resolution.’

was carried.

The Chair reported that the draft Resolution stood committed to the Steering Committee in respect of its final drafting.

CLERGY REPRESENTATION RULES (AMENDMENT) RESOLUTION 201- (GS 1904A)

With the permission of the Chair certain items were taken *en bloc* under Standing Order 55(c).

Paragraphs 1-2

535 The amendment (Order Paper II) was not moved.

536 The amendment (Order Paper II) fell.

537 The amendment (Order Paper II) was carried.

538 The amendment (Order Paper II) was carried.

539 The motion

‘That paragraph 1 as amended stand part of the Resolution.’

was carried.

540 The motion

‘That paragraph 2 stand part of the Resolution.’

was carried.

Paragraphs 3-16

541 The motion

‘That paragraphs 3-16 stand part of the Resolution.’

was carried.

The Chair reported that the draft Resolution stood committed to the Steering Committee in respect of its final drafting.

The Rt Revd Ismail Gibril (Bishop of El-Obeid, Church of the Province of Sudan) in the public gallery was welcomed by the Synod.

CHURCH REPRESENTATION RULES (AMENDMENT) [(NO. 2)] RESOLUTION 201- (GS 1905A)

With the permission of the Chair certain items were taken *en bloc* under Standing Order 55(c).

Paragraphs 1-2

542 The motion

‘That paragraphs 1 and 2 stand part of the Resolution.’

was carried.

New paragraph

543 The amendment (Order Paper II) lapsed.

544 The motion fell.

Paragraph 3

545 The amendment (Order Paper II) was not moved.

546 The amendment (Order Paper II) was carried.

New paragraph

547 The amendment (Order Paper II) was not moved.

548 The motion fell.

Paragraphs 4-20

549 The motion

‘That paragraphs 4-20 stand part of the Resolution.’

was carried.

The Chair reported that the draft Resolution stood committed to the Steering Committee in respect of its final drafting.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS
DRAFT CARE OF CHURCHES AND ECCLESIASTICAL JURISDICTION
(AMENDMENT) MEASURE (GS 1919A)**

Draft Measure for Revision (First Consideration November 2013)

Report by the Revision Committee (GS 1919Y)

518 The motion

‘That the Synod do take note of this Report.’

was moved.

Under Standing Order 14(e) the sitting was extended by not more than 15 minutes by the Chair with the general consent of the Synod.

518 The motion

‘That the Synod do take note of this Report.’

was carried.

With the permission of the Chair certain items were taken *en bloc* under Standing Order 55(c).

Clauses 1-10

550 The motion

‘That clauses 1-10 stand part of the Measure.’

was carried.

Long Title

551 The motion

‘That the Long Title stand part of the Measure.’

was carried.

The Chair reported that the draft Resolution stood committed to the Steering Committee in respect of its final drafting.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2014 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 3.15 P.M.
ON SATURDAY 12TH JULY 2014

‘THE UNCOMMON GOOD’

- 11 The Revd Jim Wallis (President of ‘Sojourners’) led a presentation under Standing Order 97.

The Chair adjourned the sitting at 3.15 p.m.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2014 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 6.40 P.M.
ON SATURDAY 12TH JULY 2014

VARIATION IN THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

Under Standing Order 9(a)(i), the order of business for the afternoon sitting on Sunday 13th July was varied by the Chair with the general consent of the Synod so that Item 524 would be taken at 2.30 p.m.

THE COMMON GOOD (GS 1956)

12 The motion

‘That this Synod:

- (a) affirm the theological imperative of serving the common good;
- (b) commend the practical activities which serve the common good, exemplified by our parishes, dioceses and NCIs, and encourage their further development; and
- (c) call on the political parties to recognise the role, actual and potential, of churches in sustaining the common good of our communities when drawing up their manifestos for the 2015 General Election.’

was moved.

45 The amendment (Order Paper III) was carried.

12 The motion as amended by Item 45

‘That this Synod:

- (a) affirm the theological imperative of serving the common good;
- (b) commend the practical activities which serve the common good, exemplified by our parishes, dioceses and NCIs, and encourage their further development; and
- (c) call on churches at a local level, along with diocesan and national Church bodies, to ensure by word and action that the political parties are challenged to promote the common good when drawing up their manifestos for the 2015 General Election.’

was carried after a division of the whole Synod. The voting was as follows:

IN FAVOUR	299
AGAINST	0

2 abstentions were recorded.

EVENING WORSHIP

Members of the Church of England Youth Council led the Synod in an act of worship.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2014 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 9.50 P.M.
ON SATURDAY 12TH JULY 2014

SPECIAL AGENDA III
PRIVATE MEMBER'S MOTION
CANON B 8 (GS 1944A and GS 1944B)

13 The motion

‘That this Synod call on the Business Committee to introduce draft legislation to amend the law relating to the vesture of ministers so that, without altering the principles set out in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Canon B 8, the wearing of the forms of vesture referred to in paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of that Canon becomes optional rather than mandatory.’

was moved.

46 The amendment (Order Paper III) was lost.

47 The amendment (Order Paper III) was lost.

48 The amendment (Order Paper III) was lost.

13 The motion

‘That this Synod call on the Business Committee to introduce draft legislation to amend the law relating to the vesture of ministers so that, without altering the principles set out in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Canon B 8, the wearing of the forms of vesture referred to in paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of that Canon becomes optional rather than mandatory.’

was carried.

The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK dismissed the Synod with the blessing at 9.50 p.m.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2014 GROUP OF SESSIONS

BUSINESS DONE AT 6.30 P.M.

ON SUNDAY 13TH JULY 2014

SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS
PAYMENTS TO THE CHURCHES CONSERVATION TRUST ORDER 2014 (GS 1955)

Order made under section 65 of the Mission and Pastoral Measure 2011

524 The motion

‘That the Payments to the Churches Conservation Trust Order 2014 be approved.’

was carried.

The Chair reported that the Order would be laid before both Houses of Parliament.

ARCHBISHOPS’ COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT (GS 1957)

14 The Revd Canon Robert Cotton led a presentation under Standing Order 96.

SPECIAL AGENDA II
LITURGICAL BUSINESS
ADDITIONAL TEXTS FOR HOLY BAPTISM (GS 1958)

(Article 7 Business)

Drafts for First Consideration introduced by the House of Bishops

601 The motion

‘That the liturgical business entitled “Additional Texts for Holy Baptism” be considered for revision in committee.’

was carried.

The Chair reported that the liturgical business entitled “Additional Texts for Holy Baptism” now stood automatically committed to a Revision Committee and that notice of amendments must be submitted to the Clerk to the Synod not later than 5.30 p.m. on Friday 15th August 2014.

CHURCHES MUTUAL CREDIT UNION

- 15 The Revd Canon Anthony MacRow-Wood (President, CMCU) and Ms Hilary Sams (CEO-designate, CMCU) led a presentation under Standing Order 97.

EVENING WORSHIP

The Revd Phil Williams (Continuous Prayer Team) led the Synod in an act of worship.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2014 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 10.00 P.M.
ON SUNDAY 13TH JULY 2014

FINANCIAL BUSINESS
THE ARCHBISHOPS' COUNCIL'S BUDGET AND PROPOSALS FOR
APPORTIONMENT FOR 2015 (GS 1959)

16 The motion

‘That the Synod do take note of this Report.’

was carried.

17 The motion

‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s expenditure for the year 2015, as shown in its budget, of £13,437,670 in respect of Training for Ministry.’

was carried.

18 The motion

‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s expenditure for the year 2015, as shown in its budget, of £11,103,305 in respect of National Support.’

was carried.

19 The motion

‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s expenditure for the year 2015, as shown in its budget, of £1,264,314 in respect of Grants and Provisions.’

was carried.

20 The motion

‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s expenditure for the year 2015, as shown in its budget, of £772,500 in respect of Mission agencies’ clergy pension contributions.’

was carried.

21 The motion

‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s expenditure for the year 2015, as shown in its budget, of £4,151,591 in respect of CHARM Scheme.’

was carried.

22 The motion

‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s proposals (set out in the Table of Apportionment contained in GS 1959) for the apportionment amongst the dioceses of the net sum to be provided by them to enable the Council to meet the expected expenditure shown in its budget for the year 2015.’

was carried.

23 The motion

‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s proposals (set out in the Table of Apportionment contained in GS 1959) for the pooling adjustment for 2015 in respect of additional maintenance grants for ordinands.’

was carried.

THE CHURCH COMMISSIONERS’ ANNUAL REPORT

24 Mr Andreas Whittam Smith (First Church Estates Commissioner) led a presentation under Standing Order 97.

The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK dismissed the Synod with the blessing at 10.00 p.m.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2014 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 1.05 P.M.
ON MONDAY 14TH JULY 2014

MORNING WORSHIP

The Revd Canon Pete Spiers led the Synod in an act of worship.

THE ARMED FORCES COVENANT AND COMMUNITY COVENANTS: REPORT BY THE MISSION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COUNCIL (GS 1960)

25 The Rt Revd Nigel Stock (Bishop to the Forces) led a presentation under Standing Order 97.

26 The motion

‘That this Synod, believing that the commitment of those that serve in the Armed Forces demands a reciprocal obligation from the Nation to ensure that they and their families are not disadvantaged:

(a) ask dioceses to reflect on the Armed Forces Covenant and to consider signing Community Covenants setting out how they can meet the pastoral and spiritual needs of the Armed Forces Community located in their own diocesan area;

(b) invite the Archbishops’ Council to sign a Corporate Armed Forces Covenant setting out how it will provide pastoral and spiritual support for the Armed Forces Community; and

(c) ask the Archbishops’ Council to report to Synod in the next Quinquennium on the implementation of the recommendations set out in *The Church and the Armed Forces Covenant* (GS 1960).’

was moved.

49 The amendment (Order Paper V) was carried.

26 The motion

‘That this Synod, believing that the commitment of those that serve in the Armed Forces demands a reciprocal obligation from the Nation to ensure that they and their families are not disadvantaged:

(a) ask dioceses to reflect on the Armed Forces Covenant and to consider signing Community Covenants, where not already signed, and Corporate

Covenants setting out how they can meet both the pastoral and spiritual needs of the Armed Forces Community including serving military personnel, regulars and reservists, veterans and military families based in their own diocesan area;

- (b) invite the Archbishops' Council to sign a Corporate Armed Forces Covenant setting out how it will provide pastoral and spiritual support for the Armed Forces Community; and
- (c) ask the Archbishops' Council to report to Synod in the next Quinquennium on the implementation of the recommendations set out in *The Church and the Armed Forces Covenant* (GS 1960).'

was carried after a division of the whole Synod. The voting was as follows:

IN FAVOUR	393
AGAINST	2

3 abstentions were recorded.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS
DRAFT BISHOPS AND PRIESTS (CONSECRATION AND ORDINATION OF
WOMEN) MEASURE (GS 1925B)
DRAFT AMENDING CANON No. 33 (GS 1926B)**

(Article 7 and 8 Business)

Draft Measure and draft Amending Canon for Final Approval

503 The motion

‘That the Measure entitled “Bishops and Priests (Consecration and Ordination of Women) Measure” be finally approved.’

was moved.

Under Standing Order 14(e) the sitting was extended by not more than five minutes by the Chair with the general consent of the Synod.

The Chair adjourned the sitting at 1.05 p.m.

GENERAL SYNOD

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BUSINESS DONE AT 6.30 P.M.

ON MONDAY 14TH JULY 2014

SPECIAL AGENDA I

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

DRAFT BISHOPS AND PRIESTS (CONSECRATION AND ORDINATION OF WOMEN) MEASURE (GS 1925B)

DRAFT AMENDING CANON No. 33 (GS 1926B)

(Article 7 and 8 Business)

Draft Measure and draft Amending Canon for Final Approval

Resumed debate

503 The motion

‘That the Measure entitled “Bishops and Priests (Consecration and Ordination of Women) Measure” be finally approved.’

was carried after a division by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	37	2
Clergy	162	25
Laity	152	45

1 abstention was recorded in the House of Bishops, 4 in the House of Clergy and 5 in the House of Laity.

504 The motion

‘That the Canon entitled “Amending Canon No. 33” be finally approved.’

was carried after a division by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	37	2
Clergy	164	24
Laity	153	40

1 abstention was recorded in the House of Bishops, 3 in the House of Clergy and 8 in the House of Laity.

505 The motion

‘That the petition for Her Majesty’s Royal Assent and Licence (GS 1926C) be adopted.’

was carried.

DRAFT ACT OF SYNOD RESCINDING THE EPISCOPAL MINISTRY ACT OF SYNOD 1993

(Article 7 Business)

Draft Act of Synod for Final Approval and Affirmation and Proclamation as an Act of Synod (Preliminary Consideration February 2014)

506 The motion

‘That the draft Act of Synod rescinding the Episcopal Ministry Act of Synod 1993 be approved.’

was carried.

507 The motion

‘That the Act of Synod rescinding the Episcopal Ministry Act of Synod 1993 be solemnly affirmed and proclaimed an Act of Synod.’

was carried.

The Chair adjourned the sitting at 4.55 p.m.

The sitting resumed at 5:15 p.m.

**SPECIAL AGENDA IV
DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTION
MAGNA CARTA (GS 1945A and GS 1945B)**

27 The motion

‘That this Synod:

- (a) recognise the 800th Anniversary, on 15 June 2015, of the sealing of the Magna Carta at Runnymede as an important opportunity to celebrate the Charter’s principles – which established that the English Church and all our citizens shall live in freedom and have contributed to human flourishing in this country and around the world;
- (b) urge dioceses, deaneries, parishes and other church bodies to affirm the significant part played by the Church through Archbishop Stephen

Langton and the Bishops in the Charter's formulation and implementation and warmly commend the continued engagement of the Church in transforming community at national, regional and local level – which might include projects such as food banks, debt relief, community kitchens and other ways of caring with Christ's love for those in need or facing exploitation; and

- (c) welcome with enthusiasm the events throughout 2015 already being organised by dioceses, deaneries, parishes and local authorities to mark the Magna Carta and encourage dioceses, deaneries, parishes and other church bodies to undertake further local initiatives around the Anniversary – which might include street parties, community fairs or pageants, and the ringing of Church and Cathedral bells.'

was moved.

50 The amendment (Order Paper VI) was carried.

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27 The motion as amended

'That this Synod:

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- (b) urge dioceses, deaneries, parishes and other church bodies to affirm the significant part played by the Church through Archbishop Stephen Langton and the Bishops in the Charter's formulation and implementation and warmly commend the continued engagement of the Church in transforming community at national, regional and local level – which might include projects such as food banks, debt relief, community kitchens and other ways of caring with Christ's love for those in need or facing exploitation;
- (c) urge members of congregations to exercise their civic duty by engaging positively and creatively with local and national politics;
- (d) encourage churches to seek to increase the number of people voting in elections, for example, by hosting hustings and supporting National Voter Registration Day (5 February); and
- (e) welcome with enthusiasm the events throughout 2015 already being organised by dioceses, deaneries, parishes and local authorities to mark the Magna Carta and encourage dioceses, deaneries, parishes and other church bodies to undertake further local initiatives around the Anniversary –

which might include street parties, community fairs or pageants, and the ringing of Church and Cathedral bells.’

was carried.

EVENING WORSHIP

The Revd Canon Gavin Kirk led the Synod in an act of worship.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2014 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 10.00 P.M.
ON MONDAY 14TH JULY 2014

CHARM RENTAL SCHEME FOR RETIRED CLERGY

- 28 Dr Jonathan Spencer (Chair, Church of England Pensions Board) led a presentation under Standing Order 97.

AUDIT COMMITTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT (GS 1961)

- 29 Mrs Mary Chapman (Chair, Archbishops' Council Audit Committee) led a presentation under Standing Order 96.

The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK dismissed the Synod with the blessing at 10.00 p.m.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2014 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 12.55 P.M.
ON TUESDAY 15TH JULY 2014

WORSHIP

The Revd Canon Simon Butler led the Synod in an act of worship.

SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

DRAFT AMENDING CANON NO. 32 (GS 1902B)
CONVOICATIONS (ELECTIONS TO UPPER HOUSE) (AMENDMENT)
RESOLUTION 201- (GS 1903B)
CLERGY REPRESENTATION RULES (AMENDMENT) RESOLUTION 201- (GS 1904B)
CHURCH REPRESENTATION RULES (AMENDMENT) [(No. 2)] RESOLUTION 201- (GS 1905B)

Draft Amending Canon and Instruments for Final Drafting and Final Approval

Report by the Steering Committee

512 The motion

‘That the Synod do take note of this Report.’

was carried.

558 The special amendment (Order Paper VII) was carried.

513 The motion

‘That the Canon entitled “Amending Canon No. 32” be finally approved.’

was carried after a division by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	18	0
Clergy	121	0
Laity	140	0

No abstentions were recorded in the House of Bishops, 1 in the House of Clergy and none in the House of Laity.

514 The motion

‘That the petition for Her Majesty’s Royal Assent and Licence (GS 1902C) be adopted.’

was carried.

The Chair reported that the petition would be submitted for Her Majesty’s Royal Assent and Licence.

515 The motion

‘That the Convocations (Elections to Upper House) (Amendment) Resolution 2014 be finally approved.’

was carried.

516 The motion

‘That the Clergy Representation Rules (Amendment) Resolution 2014 be finally approved.’

was carried.

517 The motion

‘That the Church Representation Rules (Amendment) [(No. 2)] Resolution 2014 be finally approved.’

was carried after a division by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	18	0
Clergy	124	0
Laity	141	0

No abstentions were recorded.

The Chair reported that the Resolution would be laid before both Houses of Parliament.

SPECIAL AGENDA I LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

DRAFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND (ECCLESIASTICAL PROPERTY) MEASURE (GS 1921A)

Draft Measure for Revision (First Consideration November 2013)

Report by the Revision Committee (GS 1921Y)

With the permission of the Chair certain items were taken *en bloc* under Standing Order 55(c).

521 The motion

‘That the Synod do take note of this Report.’

was carried.

Clause 1

552 The amendment (Order Paper VII) was lost after a division by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	2	17
Clergy	24	89
Laity	40	85

No abstentions were recorded in the House of Bishops, 5 in the House of Clergy and 3 in the House of Laity.

553 The amendment (Order Paper VII) lapsed.

554 The amendment (Order Paper VII) was carried.

555 The motion

‘That clause 1 as amended stand part of the Measure.’

was carried.

Clauses 2-3

556 The motion

‘That clauses 2 and 3 stand part of the Measure.’

was carried.

Long Title

557 The motion

‘That the Long Title stand part of the Measure.’

was carried.

The Chair reported that the draft Church of England (Ecclesiastical Property) Measure stood committed to the Steering Committee in respect of its final drafting.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

DRAFT AMENDING CANON No. 35 (GS 1964)

(Article 7 Business)

Draft Amending Canon for First Consideration

522 The motion

‘That the Canon entitled “Amending Canon No. 35” be considered for revision in committee.’

was carried.

The Chair reported that the draft Amending Canon now stood automatically committed to a Revision Committee and that notice of amendments must be submitted to the Clerk to the Synod not later than 5.30 p.m. on Friday 15th August 2014.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

**CHURCH REPRESENTATION RULES (AMENDMENT) [(No. 1)] RESOLUTION
2014 (GS 1940A)**

Resolution made under section 7 of the Synodical Government Measure 1969

(Resumed debate)

523 The motion

‘That the Church Representation Rules (Amendment) [(No. 1)] Resolution be approved.’

was lost after a division by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	13	3
Clergy	65	35
Laity	57	54

No abstentions were recorded in the House of Bishops, 9 in the House of Clergy and 6 in the House of Laity.

FAREWELLS

30 The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK paid tribute to the Rt Revd John Goddard (Bishop of Burnley), who was attending his last meeting of the Synod.

The ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY paid tribute to the Rt Revd John Pritchard (Bishop of Oxford), who was attending his last meeting of the Synod.

PROROGATION

31 The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK prorogued the Synod at 12.55 p.m.