

A g e n d a

July Group of Sessions 2010

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY GROUP OF SESSIONS 2010
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF YORK

TIMES OF SITTINGS

Friday 9 July	3.45 p.m. to 6.15 p.m. 8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.
Saturday 10 July	9.30 a.m. to 1p.m. 2.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m. 8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.
Sunday 11 July	2.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m. 8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.
Monday 12 July	9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. 2.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m. 8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.
Tuesday 13 July	9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

SERVICES

Friday 9 July

8.00 a.m.	Holy Communion in Heslington Church
6.20 p.m.	Evening Worship in the Central Hall

Saturday 10 July

7.30 a.m.	Holy Communion in the Central Hall
6.20 p.m.	Evening Worship in the Central Hall

Sunday 11 July

10.00 a.m.	Holy Communion in York Minster
6.20 p.m.	Evening Worship in the Central Hall

Monday 12 July

7.30 a.m.	Holy Communion in the Central Hall
6.20 p.m.	Evening Worship in the Central Hall

Tuesday 13 July

11.45 a.m.	Holy Communion in the Central Hall
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GENERAL NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTIONS, AMENDMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Save where a special note is included in the Agenda the following rules apply under the Standing Orders of the General Synod to notice of motions and amendments other than procedural motions:

1. The period of notice of new business has expired, save for urgent or other specially important business included by the direction of the Presidents.
2. Notice of motions and amendments arising out of business on the Agenda (other than amendments to legislative business, to liturgical business or to amendments of Standing Orders) shall be delivered to the Clerk to the Synod as follows (SOs 10(a), 11 and 26(a)):

Business appointed for the *first day of the group of sessions* (9 July) –
5.30 p.m. on 8 July

Business appointed for the *remaining days of the group of sessions*:
Business appointed for a morning sitting – **10 a.m. the day before**;
Business appointed for an afternoon or evening sitting – **4 p.m. the day before**.

Contingency business – **10 a.m. on Friday 9 July**.

3. Under Standing Order 10(a) and 26(a), such notice shall be accompanied by evidence of support from two or more members of the Synod in addition to the member giving the notice. (This provision does *not* apply to amendments to legislative business, to liturgical business or to amendments of Standing Orders.)
4. Notice of amendments to legislative business, to liturgical business or to amendments of Standing Orders must be given in accordance with the notes accompanying the relevant item in this Agenda. Please note in particular that notice of amendments to item 501 (Draft Bishops and Priests (Consecration and Ordination of Women) Measure (GS 1708A) and Draft Amending Canon No 30 (GS 1709A) must be given by **5.30 p.m. on Wednesday 30 June**.
5. An amendment of which due notice has not been given may only be moved by permission of the Chair (SO 26(b)).
6. Notice of Questions under Standing Orders 105-106 must be delivered **not later than 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday 29 June 2010** (SO 10(b)(i)), with an indication of whether an oral or written answer is required (SO 105(c)). **Members are reminded that, unless notice is given that an oral answer is required, it will be assumed that a written answer is required.**

7. Notice must be in writing signed by the member giving notice and delivered to the Clerk to the Synod either by hand, by post, fax or e-mail. The postal address is Church House, Great Smith St, London SW1P 3AZ. The fax number is 020 7898 1369. The e-mail address is:

in respect of Questions: **questions@c-of-e.org.uk**

in respect of amendments: **amendments@c-of-e.org.uk**

in respect of other business: **david.williams@c-of-e.org.uk**

ORDER OF BUSINESS

8. Business set out in the Timetable and the Agenda will be taken on the day and at the times shown there. If business set down for a particular day is completed before the next timed business is due to be called, the opportunity will be taken to complete business already partly considered at this group of sessions.

CONTINGENCY BUSINESS

9. If there is no uncompleted business and a gap appears in the Agenda during this group of sessions, contingency business will be taken as follows:

SPECIAL AGENDA IV (see pages 18-19)

DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTIONS:

Bath and Wells Diocesan Synod Motion:

**JOB SHARING IN ORDAINED PAROCHIAL MINISTRY
(GS 1799A and GS 1799B)**

Ripon and Leeds Diocesan Synod Motion:

**MARRIAGE MEASURE 2008: QUALIFYING CONNECTION
(GS 1800A and GS 1800B)**

Members are therefore asked to be ready for such an eventuality and to submit any amendments by **10 a.m. on Friday 9 July**. If these items are debated at the forthcoming group of sessions, it is likely to be at relatively short notice.

MEETINGS OF THE HOUSE OF CLERGY, HOUSE OF LAITY

10. The House of Clergy and the House of Laity will meet on **Friday 9 July at 2 p.m. (in PX001 at the Exhibition Centre and in the Central Hall respectively)**.

Friday 9 July 2010

3.45 p.m. to 6.15 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

2. PROGRESS OF MEASURES AND STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

REPORT BY THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE (GS 1778)

- 3.** *The Chair of the Business Committee* (The Revd Prebendary Kay Garlick (Hereford)) to move:

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

TERM OF OFFICE OF ARCHBISHOPS’ COUNCIL ELECTED MEMBERS IN THE NEXT QUINQUENNium (GS 1779)

- 4.** *The Archbishop of York* to move:

‘That this Synod approve the recommendations contained in paragraph 6 of GS 1779.’

SPECIAL AGENDA II (see pages 14-15)
LITURGICAL BUSINESS

The following item (full details of which are contained in Special Agenda II) will be taken:

- 600** Additional Weekday Lectionary and Amendments to Calendar, Lectionary and Collects (**GS 1724A as amended**) – *Further Report of the Revision Committee (GS 1724Z)*
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CLERGY PENSIONS: CHANGES TO THE PENSIONS SCHEME: REPORT FROM THE ARCHBISHOPS’ COUNCIL (GS 1780)

- 5.** *The Chair of the Church of England Pensions Board* (Dr Jonathan Spencer (ex officio)) to move:

‘That this Synod endorse the recommendations contained in paragraph 31 of GS 1780.’

SPECIAL AGENDA I (see pages 10-13)
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

The following items (full details of which are contained in Special Agenda I) will be taken:

504-510 The Church of England Funded Pensions Scheme (Cessation of Contracting Out etc.) (Amendment) Rules 2010 (**GS 1785**); the Church of England Funded Pensions Scheme (Retirement Age etc.) (Amendment) Rules 2010 (**GS 1786**); the Church of England Funded Pensions Scheme (Accrual Rate) (Amendment) Rules 2010 (**GS 1787**); the Church of England Pensions (Health and Disability) (Amendment) Rules 2010 (**GS 1788**); the Church of England Funded Pensions Scheme (Civil Partners' Benefits) (Amendment) Rules 2010 (**GS 1789**); the Church of England Pensions (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Amendment) Rules 2010 (**GS 1790**); the Church of England Pensions (Amendment) Regulations 2010 (**GS 1791**) – *Instruments for Approval*

8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.

6. QUESTIONS

Saturday 10 July 2010

9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

MORNING WORSHIP

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

7. *The Archbishop of York* will give a Presidential Address.
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SPECIAL AGENDA I (see pages 10-13) LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

WOMEN IN THE EPISCOPATE: DRAFT BISHOPS AND PRIESTS (CONSECRATION AND ORDINATION OF WOMEN) MEASURE AND DRAFT AMENDING CANON No 30: REPORT BY THE REVISION COMMITTEE (GS 1708-09Y)

Article 7 and Article 8 business

Revision Committee Stage - Report

The Chair of the Revision Committee (The Ven Clive Mansell
(Archdeacon of Tonbridge) (Rochester)) to move:

- 501 'That the Synod do take note of this Report.'

Revision Stage

On completion of the Revision Committee Stage, the Synod will proceed to consider the draft Measure and the draft Amending Canon clause by clause.

2.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m.

SPECIAL AGENDA I (see pages 10-13) LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Draft Bishops and Priests (Consecration and Ordination of Women)
Measure (**GS 1708A**) and Draft Amending Canon No 30 (**GS 1709A**) –
Revision Stage (continued)

8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.

THE ARCHBISHOPS' COUNCIL'S DRAFT BUDGET AND PROPOSALS FOR APPORTIONMENT FOR 2011 (GS 1781)

The Chair of the Archbishops' Council Finance Committee (Mr Andrew Britton (ex officio)) to move:

8. 'That the Synod do take note of this Report.'

Mr Andrew Britton then to move in relation to the Archbishops' Council's expected expenditure in respect of each area of activity specified below:

'That this Synod approve the Archbishops' Council's expenditure for the year 2011, as shown in its budget, of £[X] (net of income from sources apart from diocesan contributions) in respect of [Y]':

EXPECTED EXPENDITURE [X] AREA OF ACTIVITY [Y]

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| 9. | £12,065,500 | Training for Ministry |
| 10. | £10,140,735 | The work of the Council generally |
| 11. | £1,554,700 | Grants and provisions |
| 12. | £847,250 | Inter-diocesan support / Mission agencies' clergy pension contributions |
| 13. | £3,415,550 | CHARM Scheme. |

Mr Andrew Britton then to move:

14. 'That this Synod approve the Archbishops' Council's proposals (set out in the Table of Apportionment contained in GS 1781) 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 2011.'

FAITH AND ORDER COMMISSION (GS 1782, INCORPORATING THE 45TH REPORT OF THE STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE)

The Archbishop of Canterbury to move:

15. 'That this Synod approve the establishment of the Faith and Order Commission, as proposed in GS 1782.'

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If item 15 is carried, the motions for amendments to the Standing Orders contained in the First Notice Paper will be moved. Any member wishing to move an amendment to either of those motions must give notice in accordance with Standing Order 10(c) **not later than 5.30 p.m. on Thursday 8 July.**

If item 15, and item 26 on the First Notice Paper, are carried, *The Archbishop of Canterbury* to move:

- 16.** 'That this Synod approve the constitution of the Faith and Order Commission of the General Synod of the Church of England as set out in Annex A of GS 1782.'
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Sunday 11 July 2010

2.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m.

SPECIAL AGENDA I (see pages 10-13) **LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

The following items (full details of which are contained in Special Agenda I) will be taken:

- 500** Amending Canon No 29 (**GS 1639D**) – *Canon for Promulgation*
- 502-503** The Ecclesiastical Offices (Terms of Service) (Amendment) Regulations 2010 (**GS 1783**) and the Ecclesiastical Offices (Terms of Service) Directions 2010 (**GS 1784**) – *Regulations and Directions for Approval*
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OUR FELLOWSHIP IN THE GOSPEL: REPORT OF A JOINT STUDY GROUP BETWEEN THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND AND THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND (GS 1792)

The Chair of the Council of Christian Unity (The Bishop of Guildford) to move:

- 17.** ‘That this Synod welcome the recommendations outlined in the final section of the Report (*Pathways to Partnership: Practical Steps*).’
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REVIEW OF CONSTITUTIONS (GS 1793)

The Archbishop of York to move:

- 18.** ‘That the Synod do take note of this Report.’
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SPECIAL AGENDA IV (see pages 18-19) **DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTIONS:** **DEANERY SYNODS (GS 1773A and GS 1773B)**

The Revd Mark Beach (Coventry) to move on behalf of the Coventry Diocesan Synod:

- 19.** ‘That this Synod request the Archbishops’ Council to convene a working party to
- (a) consider the case for legislation (i) conferring incorporated status on deanery synods and (ii) amending their functions so

that, whilst they retain their deliberative function, they are also able to take a more executive role in promoting in the deanery the whole mission of the Church; and

- (b) report to the Synod on its findings with, if appropriate, proposals for the introduction of legislation.'

8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.

ARCHBISHOPS' COUNCIL'S ANNUAL REPORT (GS 1794)

- 20.** Presentation under SO 97.

CHURCH COMMISSIONERS' ANNUAL REPORT

- 21.** Presentation under SO 97.
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Monday 12 July 2010

9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

MORNING WORSHIP

SPECIAL AGENDA I (see pages 10-13) **LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

Draft Bishops and Priests (Consecration and Ordination of Women) Measure (**GS 1708A**) and Draft Amending Canon No 30 (**GS 1709A**) – *Revision Stage (continued)*

2.30 p.m. to 6.15 p.m.

SPECIAL AGENDA I (see pages 10-13) **LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

Draft Bishops and Priests (Consecration and Ordination of Women) Measure (**GS 1708A**) and Draft Amending Canon No 30 (**GS 1709A**) – *Revision Stage (continued)*

8.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.

SPECIAL AGENDA II (see pages 14-15) **LITURGICAL BUSINESS**

The following item (full details of which are contained in Special Agenda II) will be taken:

- 601** Additional Weekday Lectionary and Amendments to Calendar, Lectionary and Collects (**GS 1724A as amended**) – *Final Approval*
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SPECIAL AGENDA III (see pages 16-17) **PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS:** **FRESH EXPRESSIONS RESOURCES (GS 1795A and GS1795B)**

The Revd Richard Moy (Lichfield) to move:

- 22.** 'That this Synod invite the Fresh Expressions team in consultation with the Liturgical Commission to produce an on-line library of visual and video resources for worship, so that hard-pressed local worship leaders may access and use them in both mission and congregational contexts.'
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TUESDAY 13 JULY 2010

9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

MORNING WORSHIP

SPECIAL AGENDA I (see pages 10-13) **LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

Draft Bishops and Priests (Consecration and Ordination of Women)
Measure **(GS 1708A)** and Draft Amending Canon No 30 **(GS 1709A)** –
Revision Stage (continued)

23. FAREWELLS

**A SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION WILL BE CELEBRATED
IN THE CENTRAL HALL**

24. PROROGATION

SPECIAL AGENDA I – LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

AMENDING CANON No 29 (GS 1639D)

Canon for Promulgation (Finally approved at the February 2010 group of sessions)

The Archbishop of York to move:

- 500** 'That the Canon entitled "Amending Canon No 29" be promulgated and executed.'

DRAFT BISHOPS AND PRIESTS (CONSECRATION AND ORDINATION OF WOMEN) MEASURE (GS 1708A) DRAFT AMENDING CANON No 30 (GS 1709A)

Draft Measure and Draft Amending Canon for Revision (First Consideration at the February 2009 group of sessions)

Article 7 and Article 8 business

Report by the Revision Committee (GS 1708-9Y)

*The Chair of the Revision Committee (The Ven Clive Mansell
(Archdeacon of Tonbridge) (Rochester)) to move:*

- 501** 'That the Synod do take note of this Report.'

Notes:

1. *In the debate on item 501 it will not be in order to debate any matter which is the subject of an amendment to the draft Measure or the draft Amending Canon which appears on a Notice Paper for this group of sessions (SO 54(c)).*
2. *When the debate is concluded on item 501, the Synod will proceed to consider the draft Measure and the draft Amending Canon clause by clause, first considering any amendments of which due notice has been given (SO 55(a)).*
3. *In exercise of its powers under SO 11 the Business Committee has directed that any member wishing to move an amendment pursuant to SO 56(a) must give notice to the Clerk to the Synod **not later than 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday 30th June 2010.***

SPECIAL AGENDA I – LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

THE ECCLESIASTICAL OFFICES (TERMS OF SERVICE) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2010 (GS 1783)

Regulations made under section 2 of the Ecclesiastical Offices (Terms of Service) Measure 2009

The Bishop of Hull (The Rt Revd Richard Frith) (Northern Suffragans) to move:

- 502** 'That the Ecclesiastical Offices (Terms of Service) (Amendment) Regulations 2010 be approved.'

Notes:

1. *The Business Committee has determined in accordance with SO 68(a) that the Resolution shall be considered on the One Motion Procedure under SO 70(a).*
2. *Amendments to the Regulations are permissible. Any member who wishes to give notice of an amendment should do so in writing to the Clerk to the Synod **not later than 5.30 p.m. on Thursday 8th July 2010.***

THE ECCLESIASTICAL OFFICES (TERMS OF SERVICE) DIRECTIONS 2010 (GS 1784)

Directions made under Regulation 23 of the Ecclesiastical Offices (Terms of Service) Regulations 2009

The Bishop of Hull (The Rt Revd Richard Frith) (Northern Suffragans) to move:

- 503** 'That the Ecclesiastical Offices (Terms of Service) Directions 2010 be approved.'

Notes:

1. *The Business Committee has determined in accordance with SO 68(a) that the Directions shall be considered on the One Motion Procedure under SO 70(a).*
2. *Amendments to the Directions are permissible. Any member who wishes to give notice of an amendment should do so in writing to the Clerk to the Synod **not later than 5.30 p.m. on Thursday 8th July 2010.***

SPECIAL AGENDA I – LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

**THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FUNDED PENSIONS SCHEME
(CESSATION OF CONTRACTING OUT ETC.) (AMENDMENT) RULES
2010 (GS 1785)**

**THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FUNDED PENSIONS SCHEME
(RETIREMENT AGE ETC.) (AMENDMENT) RULES 2010 (GS 1786)**

**THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FUNDED PENSIONS SCHEME
(ACCRUAL RATE) (AMENDMENT) RULES 2010 (GS 1787)**

**THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PENSIONS (HEALTH AND DISABILITY)
(AMENDMENT) RULES 2010 (GS 1788)**

**THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND FUNDED PENSIONS SCHEME (CIVIL
PARTNERS' BENEFITS) (AMENDMENT) RULES 2010 (GS 1789)**

**THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PENSIONS (MISCELLANEOUS
PROVISIONS) (AMENDMENT) RULES 2010 (GS 1790)**

**THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PENSIONS (AMENDMENT)
REGULATIONS 2010 (GS 1791)**

**Rules made under the Pensions Measure 1997
Regulations made under the Clergy Pensions (Amendment)
Measure 1972**

*The Chair of the Church of England Pensions Board (Dr Jonathan
Spencer (ex officio)) to move:*

- 504** 'That the Church of England Funded Pensions Scheme (Cessation of Contracting Out etc.) (Amendment) Rules 2010 be approved.'
- 505** 'That the Church of England Funded Pensions Scheme (Retirement Age etc.) (Amendment) Rules 2010 be approved.'
- 506** 'That the Church of England Funded Pensions Scheme (Accrual Rate) (Amendment) Rules 2010 be approved.'
- 507** 'That the Church of England Pensions (Health and Disability) (Amendment) Rules 2010 be approved.'
- 508** 'That the Church of England Funded Pensions Scheme (Civil Partners' Benefits) (Amendment) Rules 2010 be approved.'
- 509** 'That the Church of England Pensions (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Amendment) Rules 2010 be approved.'
- 510** 'That the Church of England Pensions (Amendment) Regulations 2010 be approved.'

SPECIAL AGENDA I – LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Note: *The Business Committee has determined in accordance with Standing Order 68(a) that all six sets of Rules and the Regulations shall be considered on the One Motion Procedure under SO 70(a).*

LEGAL OFFICERS (ANNUAL FEES) ORDER 2010 (GS 1796)

ECCLESIASTICAL JUDGES, LEGAL OFFICERS AND OTHERS (FEES) ORDER 2010 (GS 1797)

DRAFT PAROCHIAL FEES ORDER 2010 (GS 1798)

Orders made under the Ecclesiastical Fees Measure 1986

Notes:

1. *The Fees Advisory Commission and the Archbishops' Council have laid the above Orders (GS 1796, GS 1797 and GS 1798) before the General Synod pursuant to the 1986 Measure.*
2. *The Business Committee has determined (as provided by the 1986 Measure) that the Orders do not need to be debated.*
3. *Any member who wishes to debate an Order under SO 69 must give notice in writing to the Clerk to the Synod **not later than 5.30 p.m. on Friday 9th July 2010.***
4. *Amendments to the Ecclesiastical Judges, Legal Officers and Others (Fees) Order and the Draft Parochial Fees Order are permissible. Any member who wishes to give notice of an amendment must do so in writing to the Clerk to the Synod **not later than 5.30 p.m. on Thursday 8th July 2010.***

SPECIAL AGENDA II – LITURGICAL BUSINESS

ADDITIONAL WEEKDAY LECTIONARY AND AMENDMENTS TO CALENDAR, LECTIONARY AND COLLECTS (GS 1724A)

Article 7 Business

Consideration of a Further Report by the Revision Committee (GS 1724Z)

The Chair of the Revision Committee (The Bishop of Gloucester) to move:

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

Further Revision Stage

Notes:

1. *Notice of motions for amendment under the provisions of Standing Order 79(b) must be given in writing to the Clerk to the Synod by **not later than 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday 7th July 2010** (Standing Order 10(c)). Any such motions will appear on a Notice Paper.*
2. *At the conclusion of the Further Revision Stage the draft texts, as amended by any motion for amendment which is carried, will stand referred to the House of Bishops under Standing Order 79(h).*

Final Approval

The Chair of the Liturgical Commission (The Bishop of Wakefield) to move:

601 ‘That the liturgical business entitled “Additional Weekday Lectionary and Amendments to Calendar, Lectionary and Collects” be finally approved for a period from 14 July 2010 until further Resolution of the Synod.’

Notes:

1. *This motion will be moved*
 - *if, after the Further Revision Stage, the House of Bishops has approved this item of liturgical business under the provisions of Standing Order 84; and*

SPECIAL AGENDA II – LITURGICAL BUSINESS

- *if no reference is claimed by either of the Convocations or the House of Laity, or if, a reference having been claimed, the business is approved by each House of each Convocation and by the House of Laity.*
2. *If the motion is to be moved, a report by the House of Bishops, indicating the form in which the House has approved the liturgical business, will be circulated.*
 3. *A majority in each House of not less than two-thirds of those present and voting is required (Standing Order 35(d)(i)(3)).*

SPECIAL AGENDA III – PRIVATE MEMBERS’ MOTIONS

FRESH EXPRESSIONS RESOURCES

The Revd Richard Moy (Lichfield) to move:

‘That this Synod invite the Fresh Expressions team in consultation with the Liturgical Commission to produce an on-line library of visual and video resources for worship, so that hard-pressed local worship leaders may access and use them in both mission and congregational contexts.’

181 signatures

(July 2008)

DEAF ANGLICANS TOGETHER

The Revd Sister Rosemary CHN (Religious Communities) to move:

‘That this Synod, recognizing both the contribution made by deaf people to the life of the Church and the particular difficulties they face in participating in the usual processes leading to elections, request the Business Committee to bring forward legislation under which Deaf Anglicans Together become a special constituency electing three members to the General Synod.’

87 signatures

(February 2009)

CELEBRATION OF ASCENSION DAY

Mr Clive Scowen (London) to move:

‘That this Synod, recognising the profound importance for Christian faith and experience of the Ascension and Heavenly Rule of our Lord Jesus Christ but noting that relatively few members of the Church of England attend services on Ascension Day, request the House of Bishops to consider how the widespread celebration of Ascensontide might be encouraged and in particular to consider making provision to permit Ascension Day to be celebrated on the Seventh Sunday of Easter instead of or in addition to the fortieth day after Easter Day.’

46 signatures

(July 2009)

ARCIC REPORT ON *LIFE IN CHRIST*

Mr Jonathan Redden (Sheffield) to move:

‘That this Synod do take note of the report of the Anglican-Roman Catholic International Commission *Life in Christ: Morals, Communion and the Church.*’

42 signatures

(July 2009)

SPECIAL AGENDA III – PRIVATE MEMBERS’ MOTIONS

GENERAL SYNOD STANDING ORDERS

Mr Tom Sutcliffe (Southwark) to move:

‘That this Synod, considering how the reformed structure of the national church institutions appears to favour unfettered managerialism in the pursuit of delivery and process and to constrain free-ranging debate and members’ scrutiny of business, invite the Standing Orders Committee:

- (a) to examine all the restrictions that have accrued in the wording of Standing Orders which make it harder for ordinary individual members to raise detailed questions and initiate debates, thus fulfilling General Synod’s vital function as a democratic sounding-board in the service of God; and
- (b) in the light of its review to bring forward proposals for the removal of such restrictions, and in particular for the revision of Standing Order 105(a) so that matters relating to the national and international leadership of the Church may be raised directly and individually as questions to the Archbishops for their oral or written reply.’

16 signatures

(July 2009)

GOOD NEWS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Dr Brian Walker (Winchester) to move:

‘That this Synod, recognising that all children and young people are made in the image of God, encourage and support our Church at parochial, diocesan and national levels, rather than teaching good news, to seek to be the good news by working together with all our children and young people to:

- (a) love and care for all people, particularly the most vulnerable;
- (b) challenge injustice and oppression; and
- (c) care for planet Earth.’

(February 2010)

6 signatures

SPECIAL AGENDA IV – DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTIONS

EPISCOPAL MINISTRY ACT OF SYNOD

to move on behalf of the Southwark Diocesan Synod:

‘That the Episcopal Ministry Act of Synod 1993 be rescinded.’

March 2003

ORDINATION OF WOMEN TO THE EPISCOPATE

to move on behalf of the Rochester Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod

- (a) note that it was resolved in July 2005 that the “process for removing the legal obstacles to the ordination of women to the episcopate should now be set in train”;
- (b) express its wish for suitable pastoral provision to be made for all those, whether clergy or laity, who are unable in conscience to accept this development;
- (c) is particularly aware of the difficulties faced by clergy opposed in conscience to the ordination of women bishops but who currently work, and will continue to do so, in parishes where the Parochial Church Council would otherwise welcome the sacramental ministry of women bishops.’

October 2007

DEANERY SYNODS

The Revd Mark Beach to move on behalf of the Coventry Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod request the Archbishops’ Council to convene a working party to

- (a) consider the case for legislation (i) conferring incorporated status on deanery synods and (ii) amending their functions so that, whilst they retain their deliberative function, they are also able to take a more executive role in promoting in the deanery the whole mission of the Church; and
- (b) report to the Synod on its findings with, if appropriate, proposals for the introduction of legislation.’

November 2009

JOB SHARING IN ORDAINED PAROCHIAL MINISTRY

Mr Tim Hind to move on behalf of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Synod:

SPECIAL AGENDA IV – DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTIONS

‘That this Synod, having regard to:

- (a) the benefits to be gained from job sharing arrangements in the parochial deployment of ordained ministers, in particular married couples where both parties are ordained;
- (b) the absence at present of any effective provision for job sharing in the ordained parochial ministry;

request the Archbishops’ Council to bring forward legislative proposals for the making of such job sharing arrangements.’

March 2010

MARRIAGE MEASURE 2008: QUALIFYING CONNECTION

The Bishop of Ripon and Leeds to move on behalf of the Ripon and Leeds Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod request the Archbishops’ Council to introduce legislation which would enable the Bishop to give directions allowing those who have a “qualifying connection” with a particular parish (under the Church of England Marriage Measure 2008) to marry in any church within the benefice of which that parish forms a part.’

March 2010

COMMUNION OF BAPTISED ADULTS

to move on behalf of the Bradford Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod ask the House of Bishops to bring forward regulations under Canon B15A.1 to authorise the admission to the Holy Communion of adults who have been baptised but who have not yet been confirmed and who are not yet ready and desirous to be confirmed.’

May 2010

COMMON WORSHIP BAPTISM PROVISION

to move on behalf of the Liverpool Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod request the House of Bishops to ask the Liturgical Commission to prepare material to supplement the Common Worship Baptism provision, comprising additional forms of the Decision, the Prayer over the Water and the Commission, expressed in culturally appropriate and accessible language.’

May 2010