

Wednesday 12 February 2014

9.15 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

2.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

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**ORDER PAPER IV**

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**WORSHIP**

**PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS**

- 11 The Archbishop of Canterbury will give a Presidential Address.
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**SAFEGUARDING: PROPOSALS FOR LEGISLATIVE CHANGE IN RESPONSE TO THE REPORT OF THE ARCHBISHOP'S CHICHESTER VISITATION (GS 1941)**

*The Bishop of Durham* (Co-Chair of the Joint (Church of England / Methodist Church) Safeguarding Liaison Group) to move:

- 12 'That this Synod request that draft legislation be brought forward to give effect to the proposals for legislative change set out in GS 1941.'
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**SPECIAL AGENDA I  
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

**THE CHURCH REPRESENTATION RULES  
(AMENDMENT) RESOLUTION 2014 (GS 1940)**

**Resolution made under section 7 of the Synodical  
Government Measure 1969**

*The Revd Canon Robert Cotton* (Guildford) to move as an amendment (with the permission of the Chair):

- 525 In paragraph 3, at the end *insert* as a new sub-paragraph –  
“(-) at the end add “But the requirement that the first of the meetings in a year shall not take place before the end

of the period of four weeks referred to applies only in a case where it is proposed to hold only two meetings in the year.”.”

*The Revd Jonathan Alderton-Ford (St Edmundsbury & Ipswich)* to move as an amendment:

- 521** In paragraph 4 at the end *insert* as a new sub-paragraph –  
“(-) at the end of sub-paragraph (b) insert “; and a council meeting called solely for that purpose is to be ignored for the purposes of paragraph 2.”.”

*Mr Clive Scowen (London)* to move as an amendment:

- 522** *Leave out* paragraph 5.

*Dr Graham Campbell (Chester)* to move as an amendment:

- 523** *Leave out* paragraph 7.

**If item 523 is carried:**

*Dr Graham Campbell (Chester)* to move as an amendment:

- 524** In paragraph 1 –  
(a) in sub-paragraph (3) *leave out* “Subject to sub-paragraph (4) below”; and  
(b) *leave out* sub-paragraph (4).

*The Revd Canon Robert Cotton (Guildford)* to move:

- 505B** ‘That the Church Representation Rules (Amendment) Resolution 2014 be approved.’

**Not later than 11.45 a.m.**

**SPECIAL AGENDA IV  
DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTIONS**

**ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES (GS 1942A AND GS 1942B)**

*The Revd Canon Giles Goddard (Southwark)* to move on behalf of the Southwark Diocesan Synod:

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‘That this Synod:

- (a) recognising the damage being done to the planet through the burning of fossil fuels;
- (b) aware of the huge reserves held by gas, oil and coal extraction industries;
- (c) committing itself to taking seriously our Christian responsibility to care for the planet (“the earth is the Lord’s”);
- (d) acknowledging the financial responsibilities of the Church’s national investing bodies; and
- (e) noting that a review of recommended ethical investment policy with regard to climate change has been begun by the Church of England Ethical Investment Advisory Group (‘EIAG’),
  - (i) call upon the national investing bodies to ensure that their investment policy (including the option of divestment) is aligned with the theological, moral and social priorities of the Church which find expression in the reports “Sharing God’s Planet” and “Church and Earth 2009-2016” and in the “Shrinking the Footprint” campaign;
  - (ii) call upon the EIAG to publish the report of its review by the end of 2014; and
  - (iii) agree to the establishment of a General Synod Working Group on the Environment, to monitor this and other environmental issues.’

*Mr Tom Sutcliffe (Southwark) to move as an amendment:*

**22** ‘In paragraph (a) before “burning” *insert* “excessive”.’

*Mr Tom Sutcliffe (Southwark) to move as an amendment:*

**23** ‘*Leave out* paragraph (b) and *insert* –

“(b) aware that rapid and massive human population increase may be threatening many creatures and plants that share this planet with us and together sustain the life in which all are created to partake.”.’

*Mr Tom Sutcliffe (Southwark) to move as an amendment:*

**24** ‘*Leave out* paragraph (d) and *insert* –

“(d) acknowledging the complex economic and sociological challenges involved in achieving any alleviation of ecological dangers; and”.’

*Mr Tom Sutcliffe (Southwark) to move as an amendment:*

**25** ‘*Leave out* paragraph (e)(iii) and *insert* –

“(iii) call upon all parishes and cathedrals to promote best ecological practice wherever possible and also to encourage informed discourse on environmental responsibility as fundamental to Christian stewardship of the given world.”.’

**If item 25 is not carried:**

*Canon Margaret Swinson (Liverpool) to move as an amendment:*

**26** ‘*Leave out* paragraph (e)(iii) and *insert* –

“(iii) request the Archbishops’ Council to reconstitute the Shrinking the Footprint working group, so that it reports direct to the Council, to monitor, facilitate co-ordination and promote the responses of all parts of the Church of England to environmental challenges.”.’

2.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m.

**SPECIAL AGENDA III  
PRIVATE MEMBER'S MOTIONS**

**GIRL GUIDES' PROMISE (GS 1943A AND GS 1943B)**

*Mrs Alison Ruoff (London) to move:*

- 14** 'That this Synod believe that girls of all ages in the Girlguiding Movement should not suffer discrimination but be able to continue to promise to love God when enrolled rather than making a wholly secular promise.'

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

- 27** 'Leave out everything after "That this Synod" and insert –
- (a) congratulate Girlguiding on its recent Centenary and applaud its work in helping girls and young women to take their place as full and responsible members of their communities;
  - (b) believe that girls and women of all ages in the Girlguiding Movement should be able to continue to promise to love God when enrolled; and
  - (c) commend the suggestion that, when a member chooses so to do, the Promise may be prefaced with the phrase "In the presence of God I make my Guide Promise".'

**If item 27 is not carried:**

*Mrs Anneliese Barrell (Exeter) to move as an amendment:*

- 28** 'Leave out everything after "That this Synod" and insert – "regretting the decision made by Girlguiding to change the wording of their promise, nevertheless encourage prayerful support for all those involved in the girl guiding movement, especially the giving of advice and assistance in the development of its spiritual education programme."'

**If neither item 27 nor item 28 is carried:**

*Mrs Joanna Monckton (Lichfield)* to move as an amendment:

- 29** 'At the end *insert* "and request Girlguiding to reinstate the former promise alongside the existing promise, so that girls and leaders of faith and no faith may have choice.".'
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**SPECIAL AGENDA III**

**PRIVATE MEMBER'S MOTIONS**

**CANON B 8 (GS 1944A AND GS 1944B)**

*The Revd Christopher Hobbs (London)* to move:

- 15** '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.'

*The Revd Neil Patterson (Hereford)* to move as an amendment:

- 30** 'At the end *insert* "provided that the vesture of ministers when exercising their ministry in leading divine service shall identify them clearly as such".'

*Brother Thomas Quin (Religious Communities)* to move as an amendment:

- 31** 'At the end *insert* –  
"and provided that any departure from the wearing of such vesture in any parish has:  
(a) the agreement, based on a liturgical or missional rationale, of the minister and parochial church council;  
and  
(b) the permission of the diocesan bishop or his commissary.".'

*Miss Prudence Dailey (Oxford)* to move as amendment:

**32** At the end *insert* –

“but so that in respect of the services known as occasional offices, other than the Order of Confirmation, the decision as to the vesture of the minister who is to conduct the service shall be made by that minister; but if any of the persons concerned objects beforehand to the use of the form of vesture selected by the minister and that person and the minister cannot agree as to which form is to be used, the matter shall be referred to the bishop of the diocese for his decision.”.’

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**Not later than 4.15 p.m.**

**HUMAN SEXUALITY: REPORT FROM THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS’ WORKING GROUP (GS 1929) AND NEXT STEPS**

**16** Presentation under SO 97.

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**17** **FAREWELLS**

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**18** **PROROGATION**

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