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SEVENTH NOTICE PAPER

ERRATA – QUESTIONS PAPER

Questions 16 & 17

Question 17 from the Ven Luke Miller (London) was inadvertently omitted and the answer was merged in error with that for his previous question, Question 16.

The correct versions are as follows:

The Ven Luke Miller (London) to ask the Chair of the House of Bishops:

Q16 Given the commitment to mutual flourishing in the Five Guiding Principles, what work has been done to monitor appointments to senior staff teams and cathedral chapters of clergy (other than bishops) who cannot for theological reasons accept the priestly ministry of women, and is it the case that there are currently only three archdeacons, no dean and one residentiary canon who are traditional catholics, and that no such appointment is currently held by a conservative evangelical?

The Bishop at Lambeth to reply on behalf of the Chair of the House of Bishops:

A The Archbishops' Secretary for Appointments collates diversity monitoring data for the appointments of bishops, deans, archdeacons and residentiary canons. The latter two require the data to be provided by the dioceses making the appointments, and this is not always easily obtainable. As more dioceses use the "Pathways" online recruitment system, the diversity data will be easier to monitor and analyse.

There is no central record of the Church Tradition of clergy in post, and I am therefore unable to comment on the indicative numbers which Archdeacon Luke has provided.

The Ven Luke Miller (London) to ask the Chair of the House of Bishops:

Q17 Given that there are models to encourage other minority groups into senior positions in the church, what methods or structures are being used to encourage the appointment of those who cannot for theological reasons accept the priestly ministry of women to senior positions, and how is their success or otherwise being monitored?

The Bishop at Lambeth to reply on behalf of the Chair of the House of Bishops:

A A programme for clergy from the Traditional Catholic tradition took place in December 2016 in conjunction with The Society, and there have been conversations with the Bishop of Maidstone exploring a similar programme for clergy from the Conservative Evangelical tradition.

Bishops are also encouraged to consider clergy from these traditions when making nominations for the Strategic Leadership Development Programme, and approximately 6% of participants across the three cohorts of this programme consider themselves Traditional Catholic or Conservative Evangelical.

The House of Bishops has considered the report from Sir Philip Mawer and I refer to the Archbishops' Statement of 6 February. Recommendation 2 of Sir Philip's report sets out the issues that need to be explored as we seek to respond to this challenge.

[The Archbishops' statement can be accessed at <https://www.churchofengland.org/more/media-centre/news/house-bishops-response-independent-reviewers-report-see-sheffield>]

Question 85

For 'the Revd Canon Peter Adams (St Albans)', read **Canon Peter Adams (St Albans).**"