

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2018 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 6.35 P.M.
ON FRIDAY 6TH JULY 2018

WORSHIP

The Revd Michael Gisbourne led the Synod in an act of worship.

INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOMES

1 The following introductions were made:

New members

The Rt Revd Vivienne Faull (Bishop of Bristol) (who had replaced the Rt Revd Mike Hill)

The Rt Revd and Rt Hon. Dame Sarah Mullally (Bishop of London) (who had replaced the Rt Revd and Rt Hon. Richard Chartres)

The Revd Mark Murthen (London) (who had replaced the Revd Bertrand Olivier)

The Revd John Henry Curran (Southwell & Nottingham) (who had replaced the Revd Chris Hodder)

The Revd Canon Dr Rachel Mann (Manchester) (who had replaced the Revd Mike McGurk)

The Revd Martyn Gough (Armed Forces Synod) (who had replaced the Ven. Ian Wheatley)

Mr Simon Friend (Exeter) (who had replaced Dr Sam Robinson)

Dr Eve Poole (Third Church Estates Commissioner) (replacing Mr Andrew Mackie)

The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK welcomed the following Anglican Communion guests:

The Most Revd Humphrey Peters (Bishop of Peshawar and Moderator and Primate of the Church of Pakistan)

The Most Revd Albert Chama (Archbishop and Primate of the Church of the Province of Central Africa).

The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK led the Synod in a prayer for the Most Revd Winston Halapua, Bishop of Polynesia and co-Archbishop of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia, who had been taken ill on his way to York to attend the July group of sessions.

ADDRESSES FROM INVITED SPEAKERS OF MEMBER CHURCHES OF THE ANGLICAN COMMUNION

- 2 At the invitation of the Presidents, the Primates of the Church of Pakistan and of the Church of the Province of Central Africa addressed the Synod under Standing Order 120.

WELCOME TO ECUMENICAL GUESTS

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

The Most Revd Ralf Meister (Landesbischof, Evangelical-Lutheran Church of Hanover, Evangelische Kirche in Deutschland)

The Revd Tauno Teder (Adviser for International and Ecumenical Relations for the Church Council of the Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church)

The Ven. Paul Mackness (Archdeacon of St Davids, Domestic Chaplain and Clerical Secretary to the Bishop of St Davids, representing the Church in Wales).

At the invitation of the Presidents, Landesbischof Meister addressed the Synod under Standing Order 120.

REPORT BY THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE (GS 2091)

- 4 The motion

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

was carried.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

**DRAFT ECUMENICAL RELATIONS MEASURE (GS 2046B)
DRAFT AMENDING CANON No. 38 (GS 2047B)**

Article 7 Business (both items)

Draft Measure and draft Amending Canon for Final Drafting (Revised February 2018)

Report by the Steering Committee (GS 2046Z/2047Z)

500 The motion

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

was carried.

The Chair reported that the draft Ecumenical Relations Measure and draft Amending Canon No. 38, being Article 7 business, stood committed to the House of Bishops.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

**DRAFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS)
MEASURE (GS 2064B)**

Article 7 Business

Draft Measure for Final Drafting (Revised February 2018)

Report by the Steering Committee (GS 2064Z)

504 The motion

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

was carried.

The Chair reported that the draft Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure, being Article 7 business, stood committed to the House of Bishops.

SPECIAL AGENDA I LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

DRAFT AMENDING CANON No. 40 (GS 2103)

Article 7 Business

Draft Amending Canon for First Consideration

510 The motion

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

was carried.

The Chair reported that draft Amending Canon No. 40 stood automatically committed to a Revision Committee and that notice of amendments must be submitted to the Clerk to the Synod not later than Friday 10th August 2018.

QUESTIONS

5 Supplementary questions in respect to all questions set out on the Questions Paper were answered.

EVENING WORSHIP

The Ven. Michael Everitt (Archdeacon of Lancaster) led the Synod in an act of worship.

The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK dismissed the Synod with the blessing at 6.55 p.m.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

DRAFT AMENDING CANON No. 41 (GS 2105)

Article 7 business

Draft Amending Canon for First Consideration

Under Standing Order 51(5) draft Amending Canon No. 41 was deemed to have been given first consideration by the General Synod, 25 members not having given notice of a wish to have the draft Amending Canon debated. The draft Amending Canon accordingly stood committed to a Revision Committee.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

THE PENSIONS (PRE-CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2018 (GS 2106)

Order made under the Legislative Reform Measure 2018

Under Standing Order 71(2) the Pensions (Pre-consolidation) Order 2018 was deemed to have been approved by the General Synod, no member having given notice of a wish to have the Order debated.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

LEGAL OFFICERS (ANNUAL FEES) ORDER 2018 (GS 2107)

**ECCLESIASTICAL JUDGES, LEGAL OFFICERS AND OTHERS
(FEES) ORDER 2018 (GS 2108)**

Orders made under the Ecclesiastical Fees Measure 1986

Under Standing Order 71(2) the Legal Officers (Annual Fees) Order 2018 and the Ecclesiastical Judges, Legal Officers and Others (Fees) Order 2018 were deemed to have been approved by the General Synod, no member having given notice of a wish to have either Order debated.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

CODE OF PRACTICE ON MISSION INITIATIVES (GS 2109)

Replacement Code of Practice under section 84 of the Mission and Pastoral Measure 2011

Under Standing Order 71(2) the Code of Practice on Mission Initiatives was deemed to have been approved by the General Synod, no member having given notice of a wish to have the Code debated.

53RD REPORT OF THE STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE (GS 2102)

Under Standing Order 40(5) the proposed amendments to Standing Orders set out in items 32 to 33 and 37 to 41 on the First Notice Paper were deemed to have been approved by the General Synod, 5 members not having given notice of a wish to have any proposed amendment debated.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2018 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 12.40 P.M.
ON SATURDAY 7TH JULY 2018

MORNING WORSHIP

The Revd Dr Rowan Williams led the Synod in an act of worship.

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

6 The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK gave a Presidential Address.

SAFEGUARDING (GS 2092)

7 Dr Sheila Fish (Senior Research Analyst, Social Care Institute for Excellence) and Mrs Jo Kind (Committee Member, Minister and Clergy Sexual Abuse Survivors) gave a presentation under Standing Order 120.

8 The motion

‘That this Synod, recognising that safeguarding is at the heart of Christian mission and the urgent need for the Church of England to continue to become a safer place for all and a refuge for those who suffer abuse in any context:

- a) endorse the priorities for action outlined in the report (GS 2092); and
- b) call on the House of Bishops and the Archbishops’ Council to ensure that the plan of action is implemented as a matter of priority.’

was moved.

32 The amendment (Order Paper II) was carried.

33 The amendment (Order Paper II) was carried.

8 The motion as amended

‘That this Synod, recognising that safeguarding is at the heart of Christian mission and the urgent need for the Church of England to continue to become a safer place for all and a refuge for those who suffer abuse in any context:

- a) endorse the priorities for action outlined in the report (GS 2092);
- b) endorse as an additional priority the support of safeguarding at parish level to create a safer church for all;
- c) call on the House of Bishops and the Archbishops’ Council to ensure that the plan of action is implemented as a matter of priority; and
- d) call on the House of Bishops to introduce, as a matter of urgency, ways to improve relations between the Church and those survivors currently in dispute with the National Church Institutions including, where appropriate, by the use of mediation processes.’

was carried following a counted vote of the whole Synod. The voting was as follows:

IN FAVOUR	368
AGAINST	0

2 abstentions were recorded.

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE SATURDAY AFTERNOON SESSIONS (GS Misc 1188)

9 The Revd Canon Sue Booy (Chair of the Business Committee), the Bishop of Coventry, Dr Eeva John (Enabling Officer for the Episcopal Teaching Document and Pastoral Advisory Group) and the Bishop of Newcastle gave a presentation under Standing Order 120.

The Most Revd Moon Hing, Bishop of West Malaysia and Archbishop and Primate of the Church of the Province of South East Asia, was welcomed by the Synod.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2018 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 7 P.M.
ON SUNDAY 8TH JULY 2018

CLIMATE CHANGE AND INVESTMENT: A PRESENTATION FROM THE NATIONAL INVESTING BODIES AND THE DIOCESE OF OXFORD (GS Misc 1196)

10 Ms Loretta Minghella (First Church Estates Commissioner), Dr Jonathan Spencer (Chair, Church of England Pensions Board) and the Bishop of Oxford gave a presentation under Standing Order 107.

11 The motion

‘That this Synod:

- a) welcome the worldwide agreement in Paris in December 2015 to hold “the increase in the global average temperature to well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels” and to pursue “efforts to limit the temperature increase to 1.5°C above pre-industrial levels”;
- b) affirm, as it did in 2015, its support for the climate change policy recommended by the EIAG and adopted by the National Investing Bodies (‘the NIBs’) in 2015;
- c) welcome the NIBs’ disinvestment from companies focused on thermal coal mining and the production of oil from oil sands;
- d) welcome the NIBs’ establishment of the Transition Pathway Initiative (TPI) to track whether major companies associated with high carbon emissions are aligning their business plans with the Paris Agreement;
- e) urge the NIBs to engage urgently and robustly with companies rated poorly by TPI and, beginning in 2020, to start to disinvest from the ones that are not taking

seriously their responsibilities to assist with the transition to a low carbon economy;

- f) urge the NIBs proactively to seek and scale up investment in renewable energy and low carbon technology; and
- g) request the NIBs to report to Synod within three years on progress, with a timetable for rapid continuing action.’

was moved.

34 The amendment (Order Paper III) was lost.

35 The amendment (Order Paper III) was carried.

11 The motion as amended

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- e) urge the NIBs to engage urgently and robustly with companies rated poorly by TPI and, beginning in 2020, to start to disinvest from the ones that are not taking

seriously their responsibilities to assist with the transition to a low carbon economy;

- f) urge the NIBs to ensure that by 2023 they have disinvested from fossil fuel companies that they have assessed, drawing on TPI data, as not prepared to align with the goal of the Paris Agreement to restrict the global average temperature rise to well below 2°C;
- g) urge the NIBs proactively to seek and scale up investment in renewable energy and low carbon technology; and
- h) request the NIBs to report to Synod within three years on progress, with a timetable for rapid continuing action.’

was carried following a counted vote of the whole Synod. The voting was as follows:

IN FAVOUR	347
AGAINST	4

3 abstentions were recorded.

SPECIAL AGENDA IV DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTIONS

ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMMES (GS 2094A and GS 2094B)

12 The motion

‘That this Synod:

- a) recognise the escalating threat to God’s creation from global warming and climate change, and the suffering caused, particularly to the poor;
- b) recall the previous resolution of the Synod, including ‘to develop Shrinking the Footprint (StF) to enable the whole Church to address the issue of climate change’;

- c) call on every diocese to have an environment programme with a designated member of the bishop's staff team to lead and advocate for the programme;
- d) call on the Environmental Working Group, supported by the national teams for the Church of England Environmental Programme (CoEEP) and Mission & Public Affairs;
 - i. to prepare and submit a framework plan to the Archbishops' Council for the promotion, co-ordination and rapid acceleration of the CoEEP, with particular attention to reducing the Church of England's energy use and CO₂ emissions;
 - ii. to establish a simple tool, aiming to be operational by 2020, for annual collation of the energy consumption of cathedrals, churches and church halls and calculation of their total CO₂ emissions, to enable monitoring of progress towards the StF/CoEEP targets for savings of 42% by 2020 and 80% by 2050;
 - iii. to promote communication and peer-review between individual dioceses as a means of encouraging best practice in the area of environmental policy, with special reference to investments, property and land use; and activities supporting the CoEEP and Eco Church Initiatives;
 - iv. to compile and submit a progress report to the Synod at least every three years; and
- e) call on the Archbishops' Council urgently to assess and furnish such human and financial resources as may be proper and necessary to enable the work in (d) above.'

was moved.

36 The amendment (Order Paper III) was carried.

37 The amendment (Order Paper III) was carried.

The motion

‘That the debate be now adjourned and resumed at the February 2019 group of sessions.’

was carried and the Chair called the next item of business on the Agenda.

THE ETHICS OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS (GS 2095)

13 The motion

‘That this Synod, mindful that a faithful commemoration of the centenary of the 1918 Armistice must commit the Church afresh to peace building; and conscious that nuclear weapons, through their indiscriminate and destructive potential, present a distinct category of weaponry that requires Christians to work tirelessly for their elimination across the world:

- a) welcome the 2017 UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and the clear signal it sends by a majority of UN Member States that nuclear weapons are both dangerous and unnecessary;
- b) call on Her Majesty’s Government to respond positively to the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons by reiterating publicly its obligations under Article VI of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty and its strategy for meeting them;
- c) commit the Church of England to work with its Anglican Communion and ecumenical partners in addressing the regional and international security concerns which drive nations to possess and seek nuclear weapons and to work towards achieving a genuine peace through their elimination.’

was moved.

The motion

‘That the Synod do pass to the Next Business.’

was lost.

38 The amendment (Order Paper III) was lost.

13 The motion

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- b) call on Her Majesty’s Government to respond positively to the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons by reiterating publicly its obligations under Article VI of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty and its strategy for meeting them;
- c) commit the Church of England to work with its Anglican Communion and ecumenical partners in addressing the regional and international security concerns which drive nations to possess and seek nuclear weapons and to work towards achieving a genuine peace through their elimination.’

was carried following a counted vote of the whole Synod. The voting was as follows:

IN FAVOUR	260
AGAINST	26

21 abstentions were recorded.

EVENING WORSHIP

The Revd Dr Sean Doherty led the Synod in an act of worship.

The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK dismissed the Synod with the blessing at 7.25 p.m.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2018 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 12.30 P.M.
ON MONDAY 9TH JULY 2018

MORNING WORSHIP

Dr Jamie Harrison led the Synod in an act of worship.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ARCHBISHOPS' COUNCIL (GS 2096)

- 14 Mrs Mary Chapman and Mr Matthew Frost made a presentation under Standing Order 107.

THE ARCHBISHOPS' COUNCIL'S BUDGET AND PROPOSALS FOR APPORTIONMENT FOR 2019 (GS 2097)

- 15 The motion

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

was carried.

- 16 The motion

‘That the Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s expenditure for the year 2019, as shown in its budget, of £17,337,309 in respect of Training for Ministry.’

was carried.

- 17 The motion

‘That the Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s expenditure for the year 2019, as shown in its budget, of £18,793,759 in respect of National Church Responsibilities.’

was carried.

18 The motion

‘That the Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s expenditure for the year 2019, as shown in its budget, of £1,252,816 in respect of Grants and provisions.’

was carried.

19 The motion

‘That the Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s expenditure for the year 2019, as shown in its budget, of £822,290 in respect of Mission Agency clergy pension contributions.’

was carried.

20 The motion

‘That the Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s expenditure for the year 2019, as shown in its budget, of £5,046,284 in respect of the CHARM Scheme.’

was carried.

21 The motion

‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s proposals (set out in the Table of Apportionment contained in GS 2097) 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 2019.’

was carried.

22 The motion

‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s proposals (set out in the Table of Apportionment contained in GS 2097) for the pooling adjustment for 2019 in respect of additional maintenance grants for ordinands.’

was carried.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

DRAFT ECUMENICAL RELATIONS MEASURE (GS 2046B)

DRAFT AMENDING CANON No. 38 (GS 2047B)

Article 7 business (both items)

Draft Measure and draft Amending Canon for Final Approval (Revision February 2018)

501 The motion

‘That the Measure entitled “Ecumenical Relations Measure” be finally approved.’

was carried following a counted vote by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	22	0
Clergy	84	2
Laity	95	0

4 abstentions were recorded in the House of Laity.

The Chair reported that the Measure automatically stood committed to the Legislative Committee.

502 The motion

‘That the Canon entitled “Amending Canon No. 38” be finally approved.’

was carried following a counted vote by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	23	0
Clergy	88	2
Laity	107	0

3 abstentions were recorded in the House of Laity.

503 The motion

‘That the petition for Her Majesty’s Royal Assent and Licence (GS 2047C) be adopted.’

was carried.

SPECIAL AGENDA I LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

DRAFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) MEASURE (GS 2064B)

Article 7 business

Draft Measure for Final Approval (Revision February 2018)

505 The motion

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

was carried following a counted vote by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	23	0
Clergy	105	0
Laity	124	0

No abstentions were recorded.

The Chair reported that the Measure automatically stood committed to the Legislative Committee.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

DRAFT CHURCH PROPERTY MEASURE (GS 2083A)

DRAFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND PENSIONS MEASURE (GS 2084A)

Consolidation Measures

**Draft Measures for Final Drafting and Final Approval (First Consideration
February 2018)**

Report by the Steering Committee

506 The motion

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

was carried.

507 The motion

‘That the Measure entitled “Church Property Measure” be finally approved.’

was carried following a counted vote by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	25	0
Clergy	104	0
Laity	126	0

No abstentions were recorded.

The Chair reported that the Measure automatically stood committed to the Legislative Committee.

508 The motion

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

was carried following a counted vote by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	24	0
Clergy	106	0
Laity	129	0

No abstentions were recorded.

The Chair reported that the Measure automatically stood committed to the Legislative Committee.

SPECIAL AGENDA I LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

DRAFT CHURCH REPRESENTATION AND MINISTERS MEASURE (GS 2046AA)

DRAFT AMENDING CANON No. 39 9GS 2047AA)

Article 7 business (Canon only)

Draft Measure and draft Amending Canon for Revision (First Consideration February 2017)

Report by the Revision Committee (GS 2046YY/2047YY)

509 The motion

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

was moved.

Under Standing Order 15(7)(b) the Chair adjourned the debate at 12.30 p.m.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2018 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 7.00 P.M.
ON MONDAY 9TH JULY 2018

ADDRESS FROM THE MOST REVD MOON HING, BISHOP OF WEST MALAYSIA AND ARCHBISHOP AND PRIMATE OF THE CHURCH OF THE PROVINCE OF SOUTH EAST ASIA

- 39 At the invitation of the Presidents, the Primate of the Church of the Province of South East Asia addressed the Synod under Standing Order 120.

VARIATION IN THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

Under Standing Order 9(1)(a), the order of business was varied by the Chair with the general consent of the Synod so that Item 24 be taken immediately before Item 26.

SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

DRAFT CHURCH REPRESENTATION AND MINISTERS MEASURE
(GS 2046AA)

DRAFT AMENDING CANON No. 39 (GS 2047AA)

Article 7 business (Canon only)

Draft Measure and draft Amending Canon for Revision (First Consideration February 2017)

Report by the Revision Committee (GS 2046YY/2047YY)

- 509 The motion

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

was carried.

Revision Stage for the draft Measure

Clauses 1 to 3

With the permission of the Chair clauses 1 to 3 were taken *en bloc* under Standing Order 58(4).

512 The motion

‘That clauses 1 to 3 stand part of the Measure.’

was carried.

Schedule 1

513 The amendment (Order Paper IV) lapsed.

514 The amendment (Order Paper IV) was lost.

515 The amendment (Order Paper IV) was not moved.

516 The amendment (Order Paper IV) lapsed.

517 The amendment (Order Paper IV) was lost.

518 The amendment (Order Paper IV) was carried.

519 The amendment (Order Paper IV) lapsed.

520 The amendment (Order Paper IV) was lost.

521 The amendment (Order Paper IV) lapsed.

522 The amendment (Order Paper IV) was lost.

523 The amendment (Order Paper IV) lapsed.

524 The amendment (Order Paper IV) was carried following a counted vote of the whole Synod. The voting was as follows:

IN FAVOUR	114
AGAINST	89

20 abstentions were recorded.

525 The amendment (Order Paper IV) was carried.

526 The amendment (Order Paper IV) was carried.

527 The motion

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

was carried.

Schedules 2 and 3

With the permission of the Chair Schedules 2 and 3 were taken *en bloc* under Standing Order 58(4).

528 The motion

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

was carried.

Long Title

529 The motion

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

was carried.

The Chair reported that the draft Church Representation and Ministers Measure stood committed to the Steering Committee in respect of its final drafting.

Revision Stage for the draft Amending Canon

Paragraphs 1 and 2

With the permission of the Chair paragraphs 1 and 2 were taken *en bloc* under Standing Order 58(4).

530 The motion

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

was carried.

Paragraph 3

531 The amendment (Order Paper IV) lapsed.

532 The motion

‘That paragraph 3 stand part of the Canon.’

was carried.

Paragraphs 4 to 9

With the permission of the Chair paragraphs 4 to 9 were taken *en bloc* under Standing Order 58(4).

533 The motion

‘That paragraphs 4 to 9 stand part of the Canon.’

was carried.

The Chair reported that draft Amending Canon No. 39 stood committed to the Steering Committee in respect of its final drafting.

SPECIAL AGENDA I LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

DRAFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) (No. 2) MEASURE (GS 2104)

Article 7 business

Draft Measure for First Consideration

511 The motion

‘That the Measure entitled “Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) (No. 2) Measure” be considered for revision in committee.’

was carried.

The Chair reported that the draft Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) (No. 2) Measure stood automatically committed to a Revision Committee and that notice of amendments must be submitted to the Clerk to the Synod not later than Friday 10th August 2018.

SPECIAL AGENDA IV DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTION

LONG TERM SUSTAINABILITY OF THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE (GS 2089A and GS 2089B)

23 The motion

‘That this Synod:

- a) welcome and commend the report *The Long-term Sustainability of the NHS and Adult Social Care* published in April 2017 by the House of Lords Select Committee on the Long-term Sustainability of the NHS; and
- b) call upon Her Majesty’s Government to implement the recommendations made by the Select Committee, giving particular consideration to:
 - i. the problems arising from the use of urban models of strategic care in the rural context;
 - ii. whether social care is being adequately funded in the context of an ageing population; and
 - iii. whether sufficient resources are being given to the recruitment, outside larger urban centres, of

experienced and highly qualified health professionals.’

was moved.

40 The amendment (Order Paper V) was carried.

41 The amendment (Order Paper V) was lost.

42 The amendment (Order Paper V) was carried.

43 The amendment (Order Paper V) was carried.

Under Standing Order 15(6) the sitting was extended by not more than five minutes by the Chair with the general consent of the Synod.

23 The motion as amended

‘That this Synod:

- a) welcome and commend the report *The Long-term Sustainability of the NHS and Adult Social Care* published in April 2017 by the House of Lords Select Committee on the Long-term Sustainability of the NHS;
- b) express its heartfelt gratitude for the dedication of NHS and social care staff, and call on local churches to support those working in the NHS and social care, and to pray for them regularly publicly and privately;
- c) call upon Her Majesty’s Government to implement the recommendations made by the Select Committee, giving particular consideration to:
 - i. the problems arising from the use of urban models of strategic care in the rural context;
 - ii. whether social care is being adequately funded in the context of an ageing population; and
 - iii. whether sufficient resources are being given to the recruitment, outside larger urban centres, of

experienced and highly qualified health professionals;

- d) call upon Her Majesty's Government to establish a Royal Commission to consider how the United Kingdom's health and social care needs might best be delivered and financed in the period to 2040, taking into account expected changes in life expectancy, demography and medical technology; and
- e) call upon local churches to lead by example in showing Christian compassion and care to the elderly and vulnerable in our local communities, as we have done historically and is now especially needed, given the shortfall in the funding of social care.'

was carried following a counted vote of the whole Synod. The voting was as follows:

IN FAVOUR	267
AGAINST	0

No abstentions were recorded.

EVENING WORSHIP

Mr Justin Brett led the Synod in an act of worship.

The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK dismissed the Synod with the blessing at 7.20 p.m.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2018 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 12.35 P.M.
ON TUESDAY 10TH JULY 2018

MORNING WORSHIP

The Very Revd Rogers Govender (Dean of Manchester) led the Synod in an act of worship.

PRESENTATION FROM THE CHURCH COMMISSIONERS

24 Ms Loretta Minghella (First Church Estates Commissioner) made a presentation under Standing Order 107.

REAPPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIR OF THE PENSIONS BOARD (GS 2099)

26 The motion

‘That the reappointment of Dr Jonathan Spencer as Chair of the Church of England Pensions Board from 1 January 2019 to 31 July 2019 be approved.’

was carried.

REAPPOINTMENT OF THE CHAIR OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE TO THE ARCHBISHOPS’ COUNCIL (GS 2100)

27 The motion

‘That the reappointment of Canon John Spence as a member of the Archbishops’ Council from 1 October 2018 to 30 September 2021 be approved.’

was carried.

REPORT OF THE CATHEDRALS WORKING GROUP (GS 2101A and 2101B)

28 The Bishop of Bristol made a presentation under Standing Order 107.

29 The motion

‘That this Synod:

- a) welcome the recommendations in the Report of the Cathedrals Working Group (GS 2101A);
- b) request the Archbishops’ Council to bring forward a draft Measure for the First Consideration at the February 2019 group of sessions to give effect to the recommendations that involve legislative change;
- c) call on all concerned, including bishops, cathedrals and the National Church Institutions, to give effect to the recommendations that do not involve legislative change as soon as practically possible.

was moved.

45 The amendment (Order Paper VI) was carried.

29 The motion as amended

‘That this Synod:

- a) welcome the recommendations in the Report of the Cathedrals Working Group (GS 2101A);
- b) request the Archbishops’ Council to bring forward a draft Measure for the First Consideration at the July 2019 group of sessions to give effect to the recommendations that involve legislative change;
- c) call on all concerned, including bishops, cathedrals and the National Church Institutions, to give effect to the recommendations that do not involve legislative change as soon as practically possible.

was carried.

53RD REPORT OF THE STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE (GS 2102)

34 The amendment (Notice Paper I) was carried.

35 The amendment (Notice Paper I) was carried.

36 The amendment (Notice Paper I) was carried.

FAREWELLS

29 The Clerk to the Synod paid tribute to Mr Sion Hughes Carew, Administrative Secretary to the Legal Office Synod Team, who was attending his last meeting of the Synod.

The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK paid tribute to Prof. Michael Clark (Chair of the Dioceses Commission) and the Rt Revd Alistair Redfern, Bishop of Derby, who were both attending their last meeting of the Synod.

PROROGATION

30 The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK prorogued the Synod at 12.35 p.m.