GENERAL SYNOD

DRAFT AMENDING CANON No 27

(Ordination of priests and deacons and Declaration of Assent)

- 1. In paragraph 3 of Canon C 3 (of the ordination of priests and deacons) immediately after the words "or such other persons as by ancient custom have the right to do so" there shall be inserted the words "or (except where the ordination is being conducted in accordance with the Ordinal attached to the Book of Common Prayer) such other person or persons as the bishop may direct".
- 2. Canon C 15 (of the Declaration of Assent) shall be amended as follows.
- 3. For paragraph 1(3) there shall be substituted the following sub-paragraph-
 - "(3) Every person who is to be consecrated bishop or suffragan bishop shall before consecration make the Declaration of Assent in the presence of the archbishop by whom he is to be consecrated."
- 4. In paragraph 2 the words "or provost", in each case where they occur, shall be omitted.
- 5. In paragraph 3-
 - (a) for the words from "who" to "investiture" there shall be substituted the words "shall on the occasion of the commencement of his public ministry in the diocese"; and
 - (b) for the word "archbishop" in the second sentence there shall be substituted the words "bishop of the diocese".
- 6. This Canon shall come into force on 1st January 2006.