GENERAL SYNOD  
JULY GROUP OF SESSIONS 2019  
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF YORK  

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GENERAL NOTES

NOTICE OF MOTIONS, AMENDMENTS AND QUESTIONS

1. 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.

NEW BUSINESS

2. The period of notice of new business has expired, save for urgent or other specially important business included by the direction of the Presidents.

MOTIONS AND AMENDMENTS ARISING OUT OF BUSINESS ON THE AGENDA

3. Notice of motions and amendments arising out of business on the Agenda (other than amendments to legislative business and to proposed amendments to Standing Orders) must be delivered to the Clerk as follows (SOs 10 – 13 and 27):

   Business appointed for the first day of the group of sessions (Friday 5 July) -
   5.30 p.m. on Thursday 4 July.

   Business appointed for the remainder of the group of sessions:
   Business appointed for a morning sitting –
   10.00 a.m. the day before;
   Business appointed for an afternoon sitting –
   4.00 p.m. the day before.

   Contingency business
   10.00 a.m. on Friday 5 July 2019.

4. Under Standing Orders 10 and 27, such notice must 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 (a) legislative business or (b) proposed amendments to Standing Orders.)

5. Notice of amendments to (a) legislative business or (b) proposed amendments to Standing Orders must be given in accordance with the notes accompanying the relevant item in the Agenda.

6. An amendment of which due notice has not been given may only be moved by permission of the Chair (SO 26(4)(a)).

QUESTIONS

7. Notice of Questions under Standing Orders 112-113 must be delivered not later than 12 noon on Wednesday 19 June 2019. The Business Committee have brought forward the deadline for Synod Questions by one week in light of the fact that many of the staff and clergy preparing answers to Safeguarding questions will be occupied with servicing the IICSA inquiry which begins on Monday 1 July 2019.
NOTICE
8. Notice must be given to the Clerk to the Synod in writing signed by the member or sent by e-mail or fax, from an address notified to the Clerk, to one of the addresses below. The postal address is Church House, Great Smith Street, London SW1P 3AZ. The fax number is 020 7898 1369. The email addresses are:

   in respect of questions:  
   questions@churchofengland.org
   in respect of amendments and motions arising out of business on the Agenda:  
   amendments@churchofengland.org
   in respect of submissions to Revision Committees:  
   revisioncommittee@churchofengland.org

REQUESTS TO SPEAK AND OTHER MATTERS
9. The email addresses for requests to speak and other matters are:

   in respect of requests to speak:
   requeststospeak@churchofengland.org
   in respect of other matters:
   clerk@churchofengland.org

ORDER OF BUSINESS
10. Business set out in the Agenda will be taken on the day and at the times shown. 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 any business already partly considered at this group of sessions.

CONTINGENCY BUSINESS
11. The Business Committee has scheduled the following Contingency Business for this group of sessions:

   SPECIAL AGENDA IV
   DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTION
   DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES (GS 2149A AND GS 2149B)
   The Revd Kathryn Fitzsimons (Leeds) to move:

   ‘That this Synod, call on the Archbishops’ Council to commission a study that explores:

   (a) the reasons why, in contrast to Jesus, the Church of England is generally less effective in communicating with, and attracting people from, more disadvantaged communities; and
12. The deadline for amendments to this item of business is **10.00 a.m. on Friday 5 July** (SO 27(5)).

**MEETINGS OF THE CONVOCATIONS AND HOUSE OF LAITY**

13. Should a reference be required under Article 7 of the Synod’s Constitution in relation to draft Amending Canon No. 40, the Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure or Amending Canon No. 41, separate meetings of the Convocations and of the House of Laity will take place on the **evening of Sunday 7 July from 9.00 p.m. to 9.45 p.m.**

**CONTACT**

14. Please address any queries or other matters not covered in these notes to the Clerk to the Synod as follows:

clerk@churchofengland.org
FRIDAY 5 JULY 2019

2.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.

WORSHIP

1 INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOMES

2 ADDRESS FROM THE ECUMENICAL GUEST

The Rt. Rev. Elof Westergaard, Bishop of Ribe, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark, will address the Synod at the invitation of the Presidents under SO 120.

REPORT BY THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE (GS 2130)

The Revd Canon Sue Booys (Oxford) (Chair of the Business Committee) to move:

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

PRESENTATION FROM THE MOTHERS’ UNION WORLDWIDE PRESIDENT

4 Presentation under SO 107.

Note: The Business Committee has determined under SO 107(3) that this presentation should include an opportunity for questions.

Not later than 4.10 p.m.

SPECIAL AGENDA I

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

The following items (full details of which are contained in Special Agenda I - see pages 12-15) will be taken:

500 Draft Amending Canon No. 39 (GS 2047DD)
   - Enactment

501 Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure (GS 2104B)
   Amending Canon No 41 (GS 2105B)
   - Final Drafting

507 Diocesan Boards of Education Measure (GS 2131)
   - First Consideration
Not later than 5.10 p.m.

LIVING IN LOVE AND FAITH AND THE PASTORAL ADVISORY GROUP (GS Misc 1217)

5 Presentation under SO 107.
   Note: The Business Committee has determined under SO 107(3) that this presentation should include an opportunity for questions.

Not later than 5.40 p.m.

6 QUESTIONS

   Note: Questions on Safeguarding will be taken separately on the afternoon of Sunday 7 July.

7.00 p.m. Evening Worship
SATURDAY 6 JULY 2019
9.00 a.m – 12.30 p.m.

MORNING WORSHIP

7 PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

The Archbishop of York will give a Presidential Address

RESPONDING TO SERIOUS YOUTH VIOLENCE: DEBATE ON A MOTION FROM THE MISSION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COUNCIL (GS 2132)

The Revd Canon Dr Rosemarie Mallett (Southwark) to move:

8 ‘That this Synod, recognizing that Serious Youth Violence affects the whole community:

(a) call upon the National Church Institutions to recognize the opportunity the Church of England has to contribute to understanding of Serious Youth Violence and strategies to prevent it and to make available resources for those affected;

(b) call upon Diocesan Boards of Education to recognize how the use of Exclusions impacts on serious youth violence and encourage alternative provision;

(c) call upon dioceses to resource:

i) information about locally based resource and support networks, and training for church leaders in best practice for supporting those affected by Serious Youth Violence, including gun and knife crime,

ii) partnership work with statutory organizations and wider civil society to provide pastoral care for people affected by serious youth violence.’

CLERGY WELLBEING (GS 2133)

9 Presentation under SO 107.

Note: The Business Committee has determined under SO 107(3) that this presentation should include an opportunity for questions.

The Revd Canon Simon Butler (Southwark) to move:

10 ‘That this Synod:

(a) adopt the Covenant set out at paragraph 20 of GS 2133 as a statement of its commitment to clergy care and wellbeing;

(b) request the Business Committee, with the agreement of the Presidents, to make arrangements so that the Covenant can be affirmed and proclaimed an Act of Synod at the February 2020 group of sessions;
(c) request the Clergy Wellbeing Working Group to oversee the transformation of the proposals contained in GS 2133 into actual practice, in particular by making the Shared Commitments and Big Conversation (at paragraphs 21 to 32 of GS 2133) available online in a way that enables their practical use by clergy, parishes, deaneries and dioceses by the end of 2019;

(d) request the Appointments Committee to appoint members to a Clergy Care and Wellbeing Facilitation Group to encourage and evaluate progress in the field of clergy care and wellbeing across the Church of England, with a view to the Group reporting to the General Synod within the 2020-25 Quinquennium.

2.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.

The Saturday afternoon will be reserved for seminars and workshops. These will cover the development of the “Living in Love and Faith (LLF)” resources. Details of the content and logistics of these will be available in GS Misc 1217.

Seminars will take place in the following slots with 15 minutes between each to allow Synod members to travel between venues:

- **Session 1**: 2.30 p.m. – 3.45 p.m.
- **Session 2**: 4.00 p.m. – 5.15 p.m.
- **Session 3**: 5.30 p.m. – 6.45 p.m.

A prayerful space will be available throughout.

7.00 p.m. Evening Worship
SUNDAY 7 JULY 2019
2.30 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.

11 QUESTIONS

*Note:* Synod Questions relating to Safeguarding will be taken at this time.

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SAFEGUARDING (GS 2134)

12 Presentation under SO 107.

*Note:* The Business Committee has determined under SO 107(3) that this presentation should include an opportunity for questions.

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MISSION AND MINISTRY IN COVENANT (GS 2135 and GS 2086)

The Bishop of Coventry to move:

13 ‘That this Synod:

(a) welcome the work done by the faith and order bodies to respond to issues raised in the initial reception of *Mission and Ministry in Covenant*, while also recognising that, for some within the Church of England, concerns about the proposals remain;

(b) support the recommendations intended to address those issues that are listed in the final paragraph of the report on further work from the faith and order bodies regarding *Mission and Ministry in Covenant*;

(c) call on the Archbishops’ Council to introduce legislation of the kind described in paragraphs 75 to 81 of *Mission and Ministry in Covenant* for first consideration at the February 2020 group of sessions; and

(d) request the Faith and Order Commission to work with the Methodist Church’s Faith and Order Committee on drafting texts for the ‘formal declaration’, the inaugural service or services and the service of welcome referred to in the recommendations in the final paragraph of the report on further work, and for the guidelines for the practice of presbyters / priests from one church being received to serve in the other referred to in paragraph 142, with full draft texts being made available to the Synod prior to final approval of the legislation referred to in (c) above.’

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SPECIAL AGENDA IV
DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTION
REFUGEE PROFESSIONALS (GS 2126A AND GS 2126B)

Mr Nicholas Lebey (Southwark) to move on behalf of the Southwark Diocesan Synod:

14 ‘That this Synod, recognising:

(a) that among the refugees and asylum seekers coming to this country there are some who are well qualified in medicine, teaching, law or other professions but who need to undertake appropriate courses and placements before they are ready to practise here;

(b) that it is desirable for these skills to be put to use to ease shortages of qualified professionals; and

(c) that enabling refugee professionals to practise in the UK could be beneficial for integration and community relations

therefore

(i) encourage each diocese, in collaboration with the Refugee Council or similar specialist organisations, to provide the financial and other support required for at least one refugee qualified from a wide range of skills to receive the advice and training necessary for their accreditation in the UK; and

(ii) request the Council for Mission and Public Affairs to provide dioceses with advice on this project.’

7.00 p.m. Evening Worship

Note: If a reference is required under Article 7 of the Synod’s Constitution in relation to draft Amending Canon No. 40, the Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure or Amending Canon No. 41, the Convocations and House of Laity will meet from 9.00 p.m. for the purposes of the reference.
MONDAY 8 JULY 2019

9.00 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

MORNING WORSHIP INCLUDING BIBLE STUDY

SPECIAL AGENDA I

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

508 Draft Cathedrals Measure (GS 2136)
   - First Consideration

509 Faculty Jurisdiction (Amendment) Rules (GS 2137)
   - For Approval

505-506 Amending Canon No. 40 (GS 2103B)
   - Final Approval etc.

PRESENTATION ON THE ARCHBISHOPS’ COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT (GS 2138)

15 Presentation under SO 107.

Note: The Business Committee has determined under SO 107(3) that this presentation should include an opportunity for questions.

Not later than 12.20pm

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER OF THE ARCHBISHOPS’ COUNCIL (GS 2139)

One of the Presidents to move:

16 Details of the motion to be moved under this item will be given in a Notice Paper.

2.30 p.m. – 7.00 p.m.

TRIENNium FUNDING WORKING GROUP (GS 2140)

17 Presentation under SO 107.

Note: The Business Committee has determined under SO 107(3) that this presentation should include an opportunity for questions.
FINANCIAL BUSINESS
ARCHBISHOPS’ COUNCIL’S BUDGET AND PROPOSALS FOR APPORTIONMENT FOR 2020 (GS 2141)

_Canon John Spence (ex officio) (Chair of the Archbishops’ Council’s Finance Committee)_ to move:

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

_Canon John Spence (ex officio) (Chair of the Archbishops’ Council’s Finance Committee)_ to move in relation to the Archbishops’ Council’s expected expenditure in respect of each area below:

‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s expenditure for the year 2020, as shown in its budget, of £[X] in respect of [Y].’

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_Canon John Spence_ to move:

24 ‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops' Council's proposals (set out in the Table of Apportionment contained in **GS 2141**) 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 2020.’

_Canon John Spence_ to move:

25 ‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops' Council's proposals (set out in the Table of Apportionment contained in **GS 2141**) for the pooling adjustment for 2020 in respect of additional maintenance grants for ordinands.’

SPECIAL AGENDA I
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

502-504 Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure (**GS 2104B**)  
- **Final Approval**

Draft Amending Canon No. 41 (**GS 2105B**)  
- **Final Approval etc.**
MISSION-SHAPED CHURCH 15 YEARS ON (GS 2142)

26 Presentation under SO 107.

Mr Mark Sheard, (Chair of the Ministry and Public Affairs Council, Archbishops’ Council) to move:

27 ‘That this Synod:

(a) celebrate this new missionary movement of the last 20 years and the impact made on the Church and society through the planting of thousands of fresh expressions of church since the Mission Shaped Church report in 2004.
(b) encourage every parish and diocese to be part of this movement forming new disciples and new congregations through a contextual approach to mission with the unreached in their community.
(c) call on the Archbishops’ Council to bring to General Synod an update on the progress of the new project being led by the Head of Development for fresh expressions to develop fresh expressions in ten dioceses by July 2021.’

55th REPORT OF THE STANDING ORDER COMMITTEE (GS 2143)

PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE STANDING ORDERS RELATING TO THE CROWN NOMINATIONS COMMISSION (GS 2144)

Notes:

1. The motions for the amendment of the Standing Orders contained in the First Notice Paper will be moved, insofar as they need to be debated.

2. The Business Committee has determined under Standing Order 40(5) that the proposed amendments to Standing Orders contained in items 32 - 35 of the First Notice Paper do not need to be debated.

3. Under SO 40(5) those amendments will accordingly be deemed to have been approved by the Synod without amendment unless either:

   • notice is given by not less than 5 members by 5.30 p.m. on 5 July 2019 that they wish a proposed amendment to be debated; or

   • notice is given by 5.30 p.m. on 4 July of an amendment to any proposed amendment.

7.00 p.m. Evening Worship
TUESDAY 9 JULY 2019
9.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.

MORNING WORSHIP

“SETTING GOD’S PEOPLE FREE” (GS 2145)

Canon Dr Jamie Harrison (Durham) to move:

28 ‘That this Synod:

(a) note the progress made in implementing the recommendations of the report Setting God’s People Free (GS2056),
(b) affirm the importance of work undertaken in dioceses and across the NCIs to enable the whole people of God to live out the Good News of Jesus confidently in all of life, Sunday to Saturday; and
(c) call on the Archbishops’ Council, the House of Bishops, and the dioceses to drive forward the changes in culture the Report demands.’

SPECIAL AGENDA I

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

510 Legislative Reform (Patronage of Benefices) Order 2019 (GS 2128A)
   - For Approval

511 Church Representation Rules (Amendment) Resolution 2019 (GS 2146)
   - For Approval

SPECIAL AGENDA IV

DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTION

ANNA CHAPLAINCY (GS 2127A AND GS 2127B)

Mrs Angela Scott (Rochester) to move on behalf of the Rochester Diocesan Synod:

29 ‘That this Synod:

a) recognise and commend the important work of “Anna Chaplaincy” and “The Gift of Years”;

b) request all dioceses to raise the profile of work with those diagnosed with dementia and their carers; and

c) call on Her Majesty’s Government to report on progress on the achievement of the Prime Minister’s “Challenge on Dementia 2020”, and on what steps are being taken to join up health and social care to ensure the seamless transition from one to the other for people with dementia.’
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Not later than 12.35 p.m.

Not later than 1.00 p.m.
DRAFT AMENDING CANON NO. 39 (GS 2047DD)

Article 7 business
Canon for Enactment
(Finally approved at the February 2019 group of sessions)

After the Instrument of Enactment has been read, one of the Presidents, being in the Chair, to move:

500 ‘That the Canon entitled “Amending Canon No. 39” be made, promulged and executed.’

DRAFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) MEASURE (GS 2104B)

DRAFT AMENDING CANON NO. 41 (GS 2105B)

Article 7 Business (both items)
Draft Measure and Draft Amending Canon for Final Drafting and Final Approval
(Revised at the February 2019 group of sessions)
Report by the Steering Committee (GS 2104Z/2105Z)

The Chair of the Steering Committee (the Venerable Pete Spiers) (Liverpool) to move:

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

Note: If item 501 is carried, any special amendments will be moved (SO 61(8)).

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

503 ‘That the Canon entitled “Amending Canon No. 41” be finally approved.’

And, if item 503 is carried:

504 ‘That the petition for Her Majesty’s Royal Assent and Licence (GS 2105C) be adopted.’
DRAFT AMENDING CANON NO. 40 (GS 2103B)

Article 7 Business
Draft Amending Canon for Final Approval
(Revised at the February 2019 group of sessions)

The Chair of the Steering Committee (the Bishop of Manchester) to move:

505 ‘That the Canon entitled “Amending Canon No. 40” be finally approved.’

And, if item 505 is carried:

506 ‘That the petition for Her Majesty’s Royal Assent and Licence (GS 2103C) be adopted.’

Note: The Steering Committee has authorised the Clerk to inform the Synod under SO 61(4) that no amendments are to be made or proposed by the Steering Committee, and there are no other matters to report, in respect of draft Amending Canon No. 40. There will therefore be no Final Drafting Stage for the draft Amending Canon.

DRAFT DIOCESAN BOARDS OF EDUCATION MEASURE (GS 2131)

Draft Measure for First Consideration

A member of the Steering Committee to move:

507 ‘That the Measure entitled “Diocesan Boards of Education Measure” be considered for revision in committee.’

Note:
If item 507 is carried, any member who wishes to submit proposals for amendment to the Revision Committee must send them in writing to the Clerk to the Synod so as to reach her not later than 5.30 p.m. on Friday 9th August 2019.

DRAFT CATHEDRALS MEASURE (GS 2136)

Draft Measure for First Consideration

A member of the Steering Committee to move:

508 ‘That the Measure entitled “Cathedrals Measure” be considered for revision in committee.’

Note:
If item 508 is carried, any member who wishes to submit proposals for amendment to the Revision Committee must send them in writing to the Clerk to the Synod so as to reach her not later than 5.30 p.m. on Friday 9th August 2019.
FACULTY JURISDICTION (AMENDMENT) RULES 2019 (GS 2137)

Rules under section 83 of the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure 2018 for approval

_The Chair of the Rule Committee_ (the Rt Worshipful Charles George QC, Dean of the Arches and Auditor) (ex officio) to move:

509 ‘That the Faculty Jurisdiction (Amendment) Rules 2019 be approved.’

**Notes:**

1. The Business Committee has determined in accordance with Standing Order 70(1) that the Rules shall be considered on the One Motion Procedure under SO 72.

2. Amendments to the Rules are permissible. Any member who wishes to give notice of an amendment must do so in accordance with SO 13 not later than 5.30 p.m. on Thursday 4th July 2019.

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE REFORM (PATRONAGE OF BENEFICES) ORDER 2019 (GS 2128A)

Draft Legislative Reform Order for approval

A member of the Archbishops’ Council to move:

510 ‘That the draft Legislative Reform (Patronage of Benefices) Order 2019 be approved.’

**Notes:**

1. On 21st March 2019 the Archbishops’ Council laid a draft Order before the General Synod under section 5(1) of the Legislative Reform Measure 2018.

2. The Scrutiny Committee has considered the draft Order, made amendments to it, and submitted a report to the Synod (GS 2128Y).

3. The Archbishops’ Council has, under SO 69H(1), tabled a motion for approval of the draft Order as amended by the Scrutiny Committee (item 510).

4. Amendments cannot be made by the Synod to the draft Order. But any member may give notice under SO 69H(2) ‘That the draft Legislative Reform (Patronage of Benefices) Order 2019 be referred back to the Scrutiny Committee for further consideration of …’. A motion for referral back to the Scrutiny Committee may relate either to the whole of the draft Order or to such of its provisions as are specified in the motion. Notice of a motion for referral back to the Scrutiny Committee must be given not later than 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday 3rd July 2019.
CHURCH REPRESENTATION RULES (AMENDMENT) RESOLUTION 2019 (GS 2146)

Resolution of the General Synod under section 7 of the Synodical Government Measure 1969 for approval

A member of the Business Committee to move:

511 ‘That the Church Representation Rules (Amendment) Resolution 2019 be approved.’

Notes:

1. The Business Committee has determined in accordance with Standing Order 70(1) that the Resolution shall be considered on the One Motion Procedure under SO 72.

2. Amendments to the Resolution are permissible. Any member who wishes to give notice of an amendment must do so in accordance with SO 13 not later than 5.30 p.m. on Friday 5th July 2019.

3. To be passed, the Resolution requires a majority in each House of not less than two-thirds of those present and voting.

LEGAL OFFICERS (ANNUAL FEES) ORDER 2019 (GS 2147)
ECCLESIASTICAL JUDGES, LEGAL OFFICERS AND OTHERS (FEES) ORDER 2019 (GS 2148)

Orders under section 86 of the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure 2018 for approval

Notes:

1. The Fees Advisory Commission has laid the Orders (GS 2147 and GS 2148) before the General Synod for approval under section 86 of the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure 2018.

2. The Business Committee has determined (as provided by that section) that the Orders do not need to be debated.

3. Under SO 71(2), any member who wishes to debate an Order must give notice in accordance with SO 13 by not later than 5.30 p.m. on Friday 5th July 2018.

4. Amendments to the Ecclesiastical Judges, Legal Officers and Others (Fees) Order are permissible. Under SO 71(5), any member who wishes to give notice of an amendment must do so in accordance with SO 13 not later than 5.30 p.m. on Friday 5th July 2018.
BIBLICAL UNDERSTANDING OF MARRIAGE AND SEXUAL RELATIONSHIPS

Mr Edward Shaw (Bristol) to move:

‘That this Synod,

convinced that all people without exception are loved by God and made in His image and are invited to fullness of life through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, affirm:

(a) its rejection of the fear or dislike of anyone on the basis of their sexual orientation.

(b) the radically inclusive nature of Jesus’s ministry and message to all people: “The Kingdom of God is near. Repent and believe the good news!”

(c) that marriage, as defined by Jesus, is the lifelong sexual union of a man and a woman.

(d) that both those who marry and those who are single, as Jesus Himself was, can enjoy Christ-like relationships and the fullness of life which He offers all.

(e) that all Christians should repent of any sexual activity outside marriage, in the assurance of God's loving forgiveness in Christ.

(f) that all God's holy people are called to live out this calling, for their own good and for the life of the world they are called to serve.’

110 signatures

LITURGIES FOR SAME SEX COUPLES

Ms Christina Baron (Bath & Wells) to move:

‘That this Synod,

Request the House of Bishops to commend an Order of Prayer and Dedication after the registration of a civil partnership or a same sex marriage for use by ministers in exercise of their discretion under Canon B5, being a form of service neither contrary to, nor indicative of any departure from, the doctrine of the Church of England in any essential matter, together with guidance that no parish should be obliged to host, nor minister conduct, such a service.’

109 signatures
END TO PAUPERS’ FUNERALS

Mr Sam Margrave (Coventry) to move:

‘That this Synod, noting:

(a) the substantial rise in the number of ‘pauper funerals’ in England and the pain and hurt arising from them; and

(b) the call of the Gospel to meet people as Jesus does, in their time of need, as well as the duty of Christians to the poor as set out in Proverbs 31.8-9 and Deuteronomy 15.7-8;

call upon the Archbishops’ Council to establish a Task Force including representatives of the Houses of Bishops, Clergy and Laity to:

(i) undertake the formation of plans at national, diocesan and parish levels to utilise Church resources (whether in the form of finance, volunteers or buildings) to tackle the issues relating to and, where possible, end ‘pauper funerals’; and

(ii) work with other stakeholders to find ways, at an affordable price, to deliver a more compassionate send off for the departed and to meet the spiritual and emotional needs of those left behind.’

75 signatures

LEGAL AID REFORM

Mr Carl Fender (Lincoln) to move:

‘That this Synod, mindful that a justice system should be open and free from barriers of any kind, and also provide easy access to enable the most vulnerable and disadvantaged people in our society to seek professional help in bringing their claims before our courts and tribunals:

(a) recognise our legal aid system as an essential public service and fully endorse its preservation for the benefit of the nation;

(b) welcome the reports by Amnesty International and the Bach Commission about the impact of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 and note both their findings about its impact on the most vulnerable and disadvantaged groups in our society and their recommendations for reform of the current system; and

(c) call on Her Majesty's Government to respond positively to these reports and explore ways of alleviating the impact that the 2012 Act has had on these groups.’

49 signatures
WINDRUSH COMMITMENT AND LEGACY

The Revd Andrew Moughtin-Mumby (Southwark) to move:

‘That this Synod, commemorating in 2018 the martyrdom of the Revd Dr Martin Luther King, Jr., noting with joy the 70th anniversary of the arrival of the Empire Windrush liner in the United Kingdom in June 1948 bringing nearly 500 Commonwealth citizens, mainly from the Caribbean, to mainland UK; and the eventual arrival of approximately half a million people from the West Indies, who were called to Britain as British subjects to help rebuild the post-war United Kingdom:

(a) lament, on behalf of Christ's Church, the conscious and unconscious racism experienced by countless Black, Asian and minority ethnic (BAME) Anglicans in 1948 and subsequent years, when seeking to find a spiritual home in their local Church of England parish churches, the memory of which is still painful to committed Anglicans who in spite of this racism from clergy and others, have remained faithful to the Church of England and their Anglican heritage;

(b) express gratitude to God for the indispensable contribution to the mission, ministry, prayer and worship of Christ's Church in this nation made by people of BAME descent in the Church of England;

(c) acknowledge and give joyful thanks for the wider contribution of the 'Windrush generation' and their descendants to UK life and culture in every field of human activity, including service across the Armed Forces and other services during and after the Second World War; and

(d) resolve to continue, with great effort and urgency, to stamp out all forms of conscious or unconscious racism, and to commit the Church of England to increase the participation and representation of lay and ordained BAME Anglicans throughout Church life;

to the greater glory of the God in whose image every human being is made.’

80 signatures July 2018

EUCHARISTIC PRESIDENCY

Mr David Lamming (St Edmundsbury and Ipswich) to move:

‘That this Synod, having regard in particular to:

(a) changes in thinking on the role of the laity in leadership in the Church over the past 25 years, and

(b) the lack of any Scriptural basis for the Church’s current practice restricting the administration of the sacrament at Holy Communion to ordained priests,

request the House of Bishops to reconsider its position (as set out in its April 1997 report Eucharistic Presidency, GS 1248) that the Church should maintain its inherited position that the person who presides at the Eucharist must be an ordained priest.’

4 signatures February 2019
ENTERPRISE FUND

Mr Samuel Margrave (Coventry) to move:

That this Synod:

(a) call on the national church institutions to establish a task force to examine whether an enterprise fund to support parishes, dioceses and church members to develop entrepreneurial activities that generate income to fund mission and ministry, can be set up, and

(b) outline other support the church will give to support the vocation of Christian entrepreneurship.

0 signatures       June 2019
ANGLICAN COMMUNION COVENANT

NB: Bath & Wells, Chelmsford, Lincoln, London, Oxford and St Albans Diocesan Synods have now withdrawn their DSM on the Anglican Communion

… to move on behalf of the Manchester Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod:

(a) rejoice in the fellowship of the world-wide Anglican Communion, which is rooted in our shared worship and held together by bonds of affection and our common appeal to Scripture, tradition and reason;

(b) thank the Archbishop of Canterbury for his tireless efforts throughout the Communion to sustain and strengthen unity in difficult times; and

(c) call on the House of Bishops:

(i) to find ways to maintain and reinforce strong links across the world-wide Anglican Communion and to deepen the Church of England’s involvement with the existing Communion ministries and networks (especially the continuing Indaba process);

(ii) to publicise and promote this work within the dioceses of the Church of England in order to broaden understanding of, and enthusiasm for, the Anglican Communion; and

(iii) to encourage a wide understanding of, and support for, the next Lambeth Conference.’

March 2012
[The Newcastle, and Worcester Diocesan Synods passed a motion in identical terms.]

ANGLICAN COMMUNION COVENANT

… to move on behalf of the Southwark Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod:

(a) rejoice in the fellowship of the world-wide Anglican Communion, which is rooted in our shared worship and held together by bonds of affection and our common appeal to Scripture, tradition and reason, all as set out in Sections 1, 2 and 3 of the draft Anglican Communion Covenant;

(b) thank the Archbishop of Canterbury for his tireless efforts throughout the Communion to sustain and strengthen unity in difficult times; and
(c) call on the House of Bishops:

(i) to find ways to maintain and reinforce strong links across the world-wide Anglican Communion and to deepen the Church of England’s involvement with the existing Communion ministries and networks (especially the continuing Indaba process);

(ii) to publicise and promote this work within the dioceses of the Church of England in order to broaden understanding of, and enthusiasm for, the Anglican Communion; and

(iii) to encourage a wide understanding of, and support for, the next Lambeth Conference.’

March 2012

ANGLICAN COMMUNION COVENANT

… to move on behalf of the Guildford Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod:

(a) rejoice in the fellowship of the world-wide Anglican Communion, which is rooted in our shared worship and held together by bonds of affection and our common appeal to Scripture, tradition and reason;

(b) thank the Archbishop of Canterbury for his tireless efforts throughout the Communion to sustain and strengthen unity in difficult times; and

(c) call on the House of Bishops:

(i) to find ways to maintain and reinforce strong links across the world-wide Anglican Communion and to deepen the Church of England’s involvement with the existing Communion ministries and networks;

(ii) to publicise and promote this work within the dioceses of the Church of England in order to broaden understanding of, and enthusiasm for, the Anglican Communion; and

(iii) to encourage a wide understanding of, and support for, the next Lambeth Conference.’

April 2012
LITURGIES FOR SAME SEX COUPLES

... to move on behalf of the Hereford Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod:

request the House of Bishops to commend an Order of Prayer and Dedication after the registration of a civil partnership or a same sex marriage for use by ministers in exercise of their discretion under Canon B5, being a form of service neither contrary to, nor indicative of any departure from, the doctrine of the Church of England in any essential matter, together with guidance that no parish should be obliged to host, nor minister conduct, such a service.’

March 2018

REFUGEE PROFESSIONALS

... to move on behalf of the Southwark Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod, recognising:

(a) that among the refugees and asylum seekers coming to this country there are some who are well qualified in medicine, teaching, law or other professions but who need to undertake appropriate courses and placements before they are ready to practise here;

(b) that it is desirable for these skills to be put to use to ease shortages of qualified professionals; and

(c) that enabling refugee professionals to practise in the UK could be beneficial for integration and community relations

therefore

(i) encourage each diocese, in collaboration with the Refugee Council or similar specialist organisations, to provide the financial and other support required for at least one refugee qualified from a wide range of skills to receive the advice and training necessary for their accreditation in the UK; and

(ii) request the Council for Mission and Public Affairs to provide dioceses with advice on this project.’

May 2018
ANNA CHAPLAINCY

… to move on behalf of the Rochester Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod:

(a) recognise and commend the important work of ‘Anna Chaplaincy’ and ‘The Gift of Years’

(b) request all dioceses to raise the profile of work with those diagnosed with dementia and their carers; and

(c) call on Her Majesty’s Government to report on progress on the achievement of the Prime Minister’s ‘Challenge on Dementia 2020’, and on what steps are being taken to join up health and social care to ensure the seamless transition from one to the other for people with dementia.’

June 2018

DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES

…to move on behalf of the Leeds Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod, call on the Archbishops’ Council to commission a study that explores:

(a) the reasons why, in contrast to Jesus, the Church of England is generally less effective in communicating with, and attracting people from, more disadvantaged communities; and

(b) ways of addressing and reversing this situation.’

June 2018

THE WEALTH GAP BETWEEN RICH AND POOR

to move on behalf of the Leeds Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod call on Her Majesty’s Government (and all political parties) to adopt an explicit policy of reducing the wealth gap between the rich and the poor and the disadvantages that flow from it.’

June 2018
REVIEW OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR PCC MEMBERSHIP AND ENTRY ON THE CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

… to move on behalf of the Canterbury Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod invite the Archbishops’ Council:

(a) to conduct a review of:

(i) the qualifications for membership of parochial church councils, in the light of the existence of bishops’ mission initiatives; and

(ii) the qualifications for enrolment on a church electoral roll, and the form of application for enrolment, in the light of the experience of parishes in the diocese that those who attend church regularly do not necessarily understand them; and

(b) to report to the Synod on the conclusions of the review.’

July 2018

CHALLENGING SLAVERY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING

… to move on behalf of the Durham Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod:

(a) acknowledge the leading role that Her Majesty’s Government has played internationally in challenging slavery; and

(b) ask Her Majesty’s Government to introduce legislation to ensure proper provision for the ongoing support and protection of trafficked minors is enshrined in law.’

July 2018

KNIFE AND GUN CRIME

… to move on behalf of the London Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod, recognising that gun and knife crime are not just issues facing London but are national urban issues, and that violent youth crime affects the whole community and demands a whole community response; and further recognising the evidence that relates youth crime to school exclusions; call upon every diocese to encourage and seek to resource where necessary:

(a) appropriate support to those affected by gun and knife crime, including victims, perpetrators, those who have been bereaved and those left emotionally vulnerable, through web and social media resources which advertise locally based resource and support networks.'
(b) intentional work with the police and other statutory organisations to provide pastoral care for vulnerable people who have been targeted through ‘County Lines’;

(c) bespoke training for clergy in best practice response and proactive intervention to issues that relate to serious youth violence, building upon good recent examples such as the Pan London Summit on violent crime, involving the Dioceses of London, Southwark, Chelmsford and Rochester; and:

(d) call upon the National Church Institutions to encourage an evangelistic and prayerful response for the whole community in each parish by making available national evangelistic and prayer resources, and developing the Feast of St Pancras as a day of prayer for those affected by youth violence and the unnecessary deaths of young people;

(e) call upon the National Church Institutions to consider how the use of Exclusions impacts on violent youth crime, and encourage Alternative Provision with a Christian ethos, in areas which are affected by youth violence.’

March 2019

KNIFE CRIME

… to move on behalf of the Southwark Diocesan Synod:

‘That this Synod encourages each church:

(a) to support those who have been bereaved and those who are emotionally vulnerable as a result of gun and knife crime.

(b) to recognise that our response to violent crime in our communities is a public health issue and that children involved, as perpetrators and victims, require a safeguarding and trauma informed response. Trauma affects the whole community and demands a whole community response. We look to churches to build relationships with external as well as other church organisations to offer this response.

(c) to work with the police and others in providing pastoral care for those targeted as vulnerable through County Lines, through strategic intervention work across our parochial networks.

This Synod therefore calls upon all Dioceses, working with the Mission and Public Affairs Council, to develop strategies to facilitate engagement and resources:

(d) through support for our schools, especially within urban environments. We recognise the issue of excluded young people being at higher risk of involvement in serious youth violence, and we seek to support the reduction of exclusions in our schools. In addition, we recognise the role that church youth workers and other ministers play, we seek to prioritise services which support children and young people at risk.

(e) by ensuring that The Diocesan website contains information concerning the occurrence of violent crime in the Diocese; online signposting for support and counselling for those affected; pointers as to how to respond if such violent crime takes place within the parish or deanery worked in conjunction with the police;
(f) through providing training for clergy and lay leaders on understanding risk factors and identifying signs of vulnerability to county lines involvement including safeguarding responses within parishes.'

March 2019