

Sunday 7 July 2019
2.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.

ORDER PAPER III

11 QUESTIONS

Questions relating to safeguarding will be taken.

12 SAFEGUARDING (GS 2134)

Presentation under SO 107.

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

The Bishop of Coventry to move:

13 'That the 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.’

The Reverend Canon Cameron Butland (Carlisle) to move as an amendment:

- 46 ‘In paragraph (a) at the beginning *insert*: “affirm the priority of doing mission together and”’

The Reverend Paul Benfield (Blackburn) to move as an amendment:

- 47 ‘*Leave out* paragraph (c),’ and

‘In paragraph (d), *leave out* “prior to final approval” to the end and *insert* “once they have been agreed”.’.

If Item 47 is not carried, *The Venerable Dr Jane Steen* (Southwark) to move as an amendment:

- 48 ‘*Leave out* paragraph (c).’

‘In paragraph (d), *leave out* “prior to final approval” to the end’ and

‘After paragraph (d), *insert* –

“() request the House of Bishops to report during the next quinquennium on the progress made on the work described in the previous paragraph, together with proposals for implementation.”’.

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.’

The Bishop of Durham to move as an amendment:

- 49** ‘*leave out* paragraphs (i) and (ii) and *insert*:

“encourage each diocese, in collaboration with the Refugee Council or similar specialist organisations, to help enable healthy integration into local communities by:

- (i) supporting adequate provision of, and access to, good English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) provision for asylum seekers and refugees;
- (ii) supporting refugees in accessing the workforce, including the provision of practical support to receive the advice and training necessary for their accreditation in the UK;
- (iii) supporting 'Lift the Ban' to enable asylum seekers have the right to work if their application takes more than 6 months;
- (iv) requesting the Council for Mission and Public Affairs to assist by offering research and advice on the best models for fulfilling these aims”.'

7.00 p.m. Evening Worship
