

Wednesday 12 February 2020

2.30 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.

ORDER PAPER V

SPECIAL AGENDA III

PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

END TO PAUPERS' FUNERALS (GS 2160A and GS 2160B)

Mr Sam Margrave (Coventry) to move:

11 '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.'

The Revd Christopher "Tiffer" Robinson (St Edmundsbury and Ipswich) to move as an amendment:

- 55** *‘Leave out* “to establish a Task Force including representatives of the Houses of Bishops, Clergy and Laity to” and *insert* –
“to direct and resource the Life Events Advisory Group, in consultation with the Churches Funeral Group and the British Council of Funeral Services to:”.’

The Revd Christopher “Tiffer” Robinson (St Edmundsbury and Ipswich) to move as an amendment:

- 56** *‘After* paragraph (ii) *insert* –
(iii) Report progress made with reference to the above by the end of 2021.”.’

Mr Sam Margrave (Coventry) to move as an amendment:

- 57** *‘At* the end, *insert* –
“and further call on Her Majesty’s Government to develop with Council leaders, a national plan and basic standards for pauper funerals, which should include allowing a Christian funeral service to take place in Church or at a Crematorium; for family or others to attend; and the return of the departed (where permitted) to family members.”.’

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRY (GS 2161)

Mr Mark Sheard (ex officio) to move, in the following form with the permission of the Chair:

- 12** *‘That* this Synod, recognising the continuing decline in numbers of under 16’s engaging with Church:
- (a) encourage dioceses to act urgently and consider practical ways they can support and resource those churches with significant numbers of under 16s
 - (b) request dioceses to share good models of practice through churches helping to resource others so that we have many more churches engaging with children and young people
 - (c) encourage dioceses to explore new ways to grow new church communities with young people as a primary missional focus; and

- (d) request an update from the Evangelism and Discipleship team in two years with analysis of progress in these areas.'

Revd Fr Thomas Seville (Religious Communities) to move as an amendment:

- 58** 'In paragraph (a) *leave out* "with significant numbers of under 16s" and *insert* "both with significant numbers of under 16's and with specific aspirations to increase their numbers of the same".'

Mr Gavin Oldham (Oxford) to move as an amendment:

- 59** 'In paragraph (a) *leave out* "under 16s" and *insert* "children and young people".'

Revd Canon Beverley Hollins (Peterborough) to move as an amendment:

- 60** 'After paragraph (a) *insert* –
“() encourage dioceses to make provision to support and resource those churches serving communities which currently have small numbers of children, teenagers and young people.”.'

The Revd Martyn Taylor (Lincoln) to move as an amendment:

- 61** 'After paragraph (b) *insert* –
“() request the NCI's to commit funding for qualitative research on the data received to help understand best practice in a variety of contexts; and,”.'

The Bishop of Durham to move as an amendment:

- 62** 'After paragraph (c) *insert* –
“() request the Evangelism and Discipleship team to ensure this work is clearly joined up with Growing Faith”.'

SPECIAL AGENDA I

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

**DRAFT DIOCESAN BOARDS OF EDUCATION MEASURE
(GS 2131A)**

Draft Measure for Revision

(First Consideration at the July 2019 group of sessions)

Report by the Revision Committee (GS 2131Y)

*The Chair of the Revision Committee (Mr Clive Scowen)
(London) to move:*

500 'That the Synod do take note of this Report.'

A member of the Steering Committee to move:

550 'That clauses 1 and 2 stand part of the Measure,'

Mr Carl Hughes (Southwark) to move as an amendment:

Clause 3

551 'Clause 3, page 1, line 22, leave out paragraph (b).'

If item 551 is carried:

Mr Carl Hughes (Southwark) to move as an amendment:

552 'Clause 3, page 1, line 30, leave out "or (b)".'

A member of the Steering Committee to move:

553 'That clause 3 [as amended] stand part of the Measure.'

If item 551 is carried

Mr Carl Hughes (Southwark) to move as an amendment:

Clause 4

554 'Clause 4, page 2, line 28, leave out "either of the following".'

555 'Clause 4, page 2, line 32, leave out paragraph (b).'

A member of the Steering Committee to move:

556 'That clause 4 [as amended] stand part of the Measure.'

If item 551 is carried:

Mr Carl Hughes (Southwark) to move as an amendment:

Clause 5

557 'Clause 5, page 3, line 25, after "which" insert " , before the first scheme is made under section 3,".'

558 'Clause 5, page 3, line 35, leave out subsection (3).'

A member of the Steering Committee to move:

559 'That clause 5 [as amended] stand part of the Measure.'

A member of the Steering Committee to move:

560 'That clauses 6 to 12 stand part of the Measure.'

If item 551 is carried:

Mr Carl Hughes (Southwark) to move as an amendment:

Clause 13

561 'Clause 13, page 9, leave out lines 6 and 7.'

A member of the Steering Committee to move:

562 'That clause 13 [as amended] stand part of the Measure.'

A member of the Steering Committee to move:

563 'That clauses 14 to 16 stand part of the Measure.'

Mr David Lamming (St. Edmundsbury and Ipswich) to move as an amendment:

Clause 17

564 'Clause 17, page 11, line 11, at end insert—

- “(3) A report under subsection (2) must—
(a) be in writing, and
(b) be posted on the diocese’s website or, in a case where there is a joint DBE, on each diocese’s website.
- (4) A DBE may make a report under subsection (2) by way of an oral presentation (in addition to making it in accordance with subsection (3)); and if the bishop’s council and standing committee of the diocese specifies the form in which the presentation is to be made, it must be made in that form.”.’

A member of the Steering Committee to move:

565 ‘That clause 17 [as amended] stand part of the Measure.’

A member of the Steering Committee to move:

566 ‘That clauses 18 to 24 stand part of the Measure.’

If item 551 is carried:

Mr Carl Hughes (Southwark) to move as an amendment:

Paragraph 2, Schedule 1

567 Schedule 1, page 17, leave out paragraph 2.

A member of the Steering Committee to move:

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

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

Schedule 2

569 ‘Schedule 2, page 21, line 20, at end insert—

“(5A) At least three of those persons must become members by virtue of sub-paragraph (5)(b).”.’

570 ‘Schedule 2, page 21, line 20, at end insert—
“(5B) The number of persons who are members by virtue of sub-paragraph (5)(c) must not exceed one-quarter of the total membership.”.’

571 ‘Schedule 2, page 21, line 27, leave out “one person” and insert “two persons”.’

If item 570 is carried:

572 ‘Schedule 2, page 21, line 27, at end insert “, and
“(c) provision for the number of persons co-opted not to exceed one-quarter of the total membership.”.’

If item 569 or 570 are carried:

573 ‘Schedule 2, page 21, line 28, leave out “sub-paragraph (5) has” and insert “sub-paragraphs (5) to (5B) have”.’

574 ‘Schedule 2, page 22, line 27, after “DBE” insert “; but the chair of a committee or sub-committee must be a member of the DBE”.’

A member of the Steering Committee to move:

575 ‘That Schedule 2 [as amended] stand part of the Measure.’

A member of the Steering Committee to move:

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

GENERAL SYNOD ELECTIONS 2020: ALLOCATION OF SEATS (GS 2162)

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

‘That:

- (a) the total number of proctors in Convocation to be directly elected from the dioceses in each Province in 2020 is 129 for the Province of Canterbury and 56 for the Province of York with the proportion of directly elected proctors to the number of qualified electors in the dioceses being determined as 129 : 8,885 in the case of the Province of Canterbury and 55 : 2,886 in the case of the Province of York, the numbers to be elected for each diocese being those set out at Appendix A of GS 2162; and
- (b) the total number of members of the House of Laity to be directly elected in 2020 is 193, apportioned between the Provinces in the proportion that is as close as possible to 70 to 30, so that 135 members are to be elected in the Province of Canterbury and 58 members elected in the Province of York, the numbers to be elected for each diocese being those set out at Appendix B of GS 2162.’

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

- 63** ‘In paragraph (b), *leave out* “70 to 30, so that 135 members are to be elected” to the end’ and *insert* “75 to 25, so that 145 members are to be elected in the Province of Canterbury and 48 members elected in the Province of York, the numbers to be elected for each diocese being those set out at Appendix E of GS 2162”.’

7.00 p.m. Evening Worship
