

GENERAL SYNOD

JULY GROUP OF SESSIONS 2021

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STATEMENT BY OFFICERS OF GENERAL SYNOD

On behalf of the General Synod we wish to applaud the achievements of the England football team in reaching the final of Euro 2020. The multicultural composition of the team, and the sense of mutual support which they exude is a model for the whole country. As officers of the General Synod we wish to express our deep disappointment and concern that the achievement has been marred by disgraceful racial abuse on social media.

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