

**GENERAL SYNOD
NOVEMBER 2021 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 11.38 A.M.
ON WEDNESDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 2021**

OPENING WORSHIP

The Revd Andrew Hammond (Chaplain to the General Synod) and members of the Community of St Anselm led the Synod in an act of worship.

LOYAL ADDRESS

7 The motion

‘That a Loyal Address be presented to Her Majesty the Queen.’

was carried.

SPECIAL AGENDA IV

DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTIONS

THE WEALTH GAP BETWEEN THE RICH AND THE POOR (GS 2170A AND GS 2170B)

8 The motion

‘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.’

was moved.

15 The amendment (Order Paper II) was carried.

8 The motion (as amended)

‘That this Synod

- (a) recommit to working both nationally and locally to respond to human need by loving service, and to transform unjust structures of society which are creating the wealth gap; and
- (b) 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) flow from it.'

was carried after a counted vote of the whole Synod. The voting was as follows:

IN FAVOUR	342
AGAINST	2

3 abstentions were recorded.

ARCHBISHOPS' COUNCIL BUDGET 2022 AND APPORTIONMENT 2022 – UPDATE REPORT (GS 2235)

9 The motion

“That the Synod do take note of this Report.”

was carried.

SPECIAL AGENDA I:

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

VACANCY IN SEE COMMITTEES (AMENDMENT) REGULATION 2021 (GS 2236)

500 The motion

‘That the Vacancy in See Committees Regulation 1993, as amended by the Vacancy in See Committees (Amendment) Regulation 2003, the Vacancy in See Committees (Amendment) Regulation 2007, the Vacancy in See Committees (Amendment) Regulation 2008, the Vacancy in See Committees (Amendment) Regulation 2013 and the Vacancy in See Committees (Amendment) Regulation 2021, be solemnly affirmed and proclaimed an Act of Synod.’

was carried.

The ARCHBISHOPS OF CANTERBURY AND YORK ratified and confirmed the motion for their respective provinces. The Registrar then read the customary form of proclamation.

APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER OF THE ARCHBISHOPS' COUNCIL (GS 2237)

10 The motion

“That the appointment of Mr Mark Sheard as a member of Archbishops’ Council for a further term expiring on 31 January 2027 be approved.”

was carried.