

GENERAL SYNOD**Appointment of the Chair of the Appointments Committee**

1. Under the provisions of Standing Order 126, the Chair of the Appointments Committee is appointed by the Archbishops after consultation with the Appointments Committee. The appointment and term of office are subject to confirmation by resolution of the Synod.
2. The function of the Appointments Committee is to make such appointments, or such recommendations for appointment, to synodical or other bodies as the Synod or the Archbishops' Council may require.
3. Following the elections to General Synod in autumn 2021, there is a vacancy for the Chair of the Appointments Committee.
4. The Archbishops in consultation with the Appointments Committee would like to propose that the Venerable Pete Speirs (Liverpool) be appointed as Chair of the Appointments Committee for a term commencing 14 February 2022.
5. Pete has been an active member of the General Synod since 2000, and will be well known to many Synod members as a former member of the Panel of Chairs (from 2016-21). He has a breadth of experience having served on a wide range of Synodical bodies, including as a central member of the Crown Nominations Commission, Chair of the Steering Committee for the Miscellaneous Provisions Measure 2018, and member of the Working Group which produced the Covenant for Clergy Care and Wellbeing among others.
6. His experience of both Synod and his role as Archdeacon in the Diocese of Liverpool will be invaluable to the newly elected Appointments Committee.
7. The Archbishops are delighted that Pete is happy to serve, and they commend his appointment to the Synod.
8. A motion will be moved by one of the Archbishops inviting the Synod to confirm the appointment of Ven Pete Spiers as Chair of the Appointments Committee from 14 February 2022.

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Secretary General
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