

Friday 7 July 2023
2.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.

ORDER PAPER I

WORSHIP

1 INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOMES

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

- 2** *The Archbishop of York* will give a Presidential Address.
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**ADDRESS FROM ANGLICAN COMMUNION
REPRESENTATIVE AND ECUMENICAL GUESTS**

- 3** *The Rt Revd Daniel Gutiérrez, Bishop of Pennsylvania* and *The Rt Revd Erik Eckerdahl* will address the Synod at the invitation of the Presidents under SO 120.
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REPORT BY THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE (GS 2297)

Canon Robert Hammond (Chelmsford) (Chair of the Business Committee) to move:

- 4** 'That the Synod do take note of this Report.'
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SPECIAL AGENDA III

PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

**CHURCH OF ENGLAND YOUTH SYNOD (GS 2298A AND
GS 2298B)**

Mr Sam Wilson (Chester) to move:

- 5** 'That this Synod:
- (a) acknowledge the national strategy to 'grow younger and more diverse'
 - (b) take note of the report 'Rooted in the Church' (2016) which observes that young adults feel a sense of belonging if they i) are included within the whole church family, ii) are treated as equal members of the

church, iii) are supported by leaders who act as bridges or mentors, and iv) are given a safe space to ask questions;

- (c) re-affirm the importance of having young adults directly involved in decision-making and strategy;
- (d) recognise the valuable contributions made by members of the Church of England Youth Council (CEYC);

and therefore call on the Archbishops' Council to:

- (e) establish the Church of England Youth Synod (CEYS) or similar, to replace the recently disbanded Church of England Youth Council (CEYC), as a meeting of young Anglicans between the ages of 18 and 25 who meet prior to each meeting of General Synod to discuss and debate the motions of General Synod;
- (f) invite each Diocesan Synod to nominate two young adults as members of both their local Diocesan Synod and the Church of England Youth Synod;
- (g) arrange for the co-option of 5 young adults elected by the Youth Synod as members of General Synod with the right to speak and vote;
- (h) appoint a part-time post with responsibility for democratic engagement with young people;
- (i) ensure that a sufficient budget is made available to support the work of the Youth Synod; and
- (j) ensure that the Youth Synod has representation on the Archbishops' Council by co-opting a member of the Youth Synod as a member of Archbishops' Council.'

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

52 'After paragraph (d) *insert:*

“() request the Business Committee to bring a report to Synod with recommendations that increase the voice and representation of young people within Synodical bodies and through Synod elections and detailing how the above has progressed enabling children and young people’s opinions and concerns to be heard. ”.’

Mrs Clare Williams (Norwich) to move as an amendment:

- 53** ‘After paragraph (d) *insert*:
“() recognise the role played by children and young people in the development of the Church of England Vision and Strategy;
() values the work being undertaken through the Growing Faith Foundation to listen to the voices of children, young people and young adults.”.’

Mr Matt Orr (Bath and Wells) to move as an amendment:

- 54** ‘*Leave out* “and therefore call” to the end, and *insert*:

“and therefore call on each diocese to work alongside Children, Youth and Family advisors and practitioners to develop ways of ensuring that children, youth and young adult voices are heard within their decision making processes; and actively involve them in decision making;

() request the Business Committee to bring forward proposals, including legislation if necessary that:

(i) seek to enable greater numbers of young adults be elected to General Synod;

(ii) enable the voices of children, youth and young adults be heard within the debates of General Synod;

() encourage each General Synod member to work with Children, youth and Family advisors and practitioners to listen to the voice of children, youth and young adults in their preparation for each meeting of General Synod.

() request the Archbishops' Council to:

(i) ensure that all policies seek to ensure that they contribute to fulfilling the vision of being a younger and more diverse church;

(ii) develop ways whereby the voices of children, youth and young adults are fed into their discussions and decision making processes;

() call on the Archbishops' Council to establish a regular Church of England National Young Adults Gathering (*name*

to be determined) which will enable young Anglicans between the ages of 18 and 25 to:

- (i) meet together for worship, prayer and fellowship,
 - (ii) engage with and discuss issues identified as being important by young adults themselves, and
 - (iii) relate to decision-making structures including Dioceses, General Synod and Archbishops Council;
- () request to the Archbishops' Council that funding be found from within the budget for a first such national gathering whilst exploring provision of longer term funding."

If Item 54 is not carried

Canon Shayne Ardron (Leicester) to move as an amendment:

- 55** 'In paragraph (h) *leave out* "part-time post with responsibility for democratic engagement with young people" and *insert* "full-time post with responsibility for democratic engagement and organisation with young people; working in partnership with Diocesan CYF advisors and practitioners, Boards of Education and Growing Faith Foundation to enable, resource and coordinate a dispersed network (Church of England Youth Synod), and to develop and gather a network of young leaders who emerge from this network".'

SPECIAL AGENDA I

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

LEGAL OFFICERS (ANNUAL FEES) ORDER 2024 (GS 2299)

Order for Approval

The Chair of the Fees Advisory Committee (The Ven Bob Cooper) (Durham) to move:

- 500** 'That the Legal Officers (Annual Fees) Order 2023 be approved.'

**THE ELECTRONIC REGISTER BOOK OF SERVICES
FORM AND CONDITIONS 2023 (GS 2291)**

Instrument for Approval

Mrs Julie Dziegiel (Oxford) to move:

- 501** 'That the Electronic Register Book of Services Form and Conditions 2023 be approved.'

**APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER OF THE ARCHBISHOPS'
COUNCIL (GS 2301)**

The Archbishop of Canterbury to move:

- 6** 'That the appointment of Mr Carl Hughes as member of the Archbishops' Council and Chair of the Finance Committee be approved.'

Not later than 5.45 p.m.

7 QUESTIONS

Evening Worship
