

Monday 10 July 2023
8.20 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.

ORDER PAPER VIII

**REVIEW OF THE MISSION AND PASTORAL MEASURE
(GS 2314)**

The Revd Flora Winfield (Third Church Estates
Commissioner) to move:

28 ‘That this Synod

- (a) welcome the Report GS 2314 on the review of the Mission & Pastoral Measure and the recommendations it contains;
- (b) request the Archbishops’ Council to bring forward a draft Measure for the First Consideration at a group of sessions in 2024 to give effect to the recommendations that involve legislative change;
- (c) call on all concerned, including bishops, dioceses, parishes and the National Church Institutions, to welcome and embrace the call expressed in the Report for good conversations and a pastoral approach to be at the heart of any processes considering possible changes to ministry structures.’

Mr Ian Johnston (Portsmouth) to move as an amendment:

79 ‘In paragraph (a) *leave out* “and the recommendations it contains” and *insert* “as a basis for further discussion.”.’

Mr Ian Johnston (Portsmouth) to move as an amendment:

80 ‘*Leave out* paragraph (b) and *insert*:

“(b) seek further proposals from the Project Board to address more holistically the issue of the trust deficit relating to our parishes, specifically:

- i. between a diocese and its parishes;

- ii. to provide effective oversight of any decisions that would affect our parishes;
- iii. representation of our parishes in the central administration”.

Item 81 will only be moved if item 80 is not carried

The Revd Marcus Walker (London) to move as an amendment

81 ‘In paragraph (b), at the end *insert*:

“(i) provided that the legislation results in no reduction of existing rights to make representations and to have them considered by the Church Commissioners or to appeal against their decisions;

(ii) provided that the legislation includes provision for parochial church councils engaging with proposed orders or schemes to have access to legal advice and representation of a equivalent standard to that which is available to dioceses and their officers pursuing them, at no cost to the parish”.’