

# GENERAL SYNOD

## NOVEMBER 2023 GROUP OF SESSIONS

### BUSINESS DONE AT 4.24 PM

### ON WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2023

#### LIVING IN LOVE AND FAITH (RESUMED DEBATE)

- 44 The amendment (Order Paper IV) was lost following a counted vote by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	14	19
Clergy	88	90
Laity	86	105

2 abstentions were recorded in the House of Bishops; 9 abstentions in the House of Clergy; and 10 in the House of Laity.

- 7 The motion (as amended)

‘That this Synod, conscious that the Church is not of one mind on the issues raised by Living in Love and Faith, that we are in a period of uncertainty, and that many in the Church on all sides are being deeply hurt at this time, recognise the progress made by the House of Bishops towards implementing the motion on Living in Love and Faith passed by this Synod in February 2023, as reported in GS 2328, encourage the House to continue its work of implementation, and ask the House to consider whether some standalone services for same-sex couples could be made available for use, possibly on a trial basis, on the timescale envisaged by the motion passed by the Synod in February 2023.’

was carried following a counted vote by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	23	10
Clergy	100	93
Laity	104	100

4 abstentions were recorded in the House of Bishops and 1 abstention in the House of Clergy.

## **SPECIAL AGENDA I LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

### **VACANCY IN SEE COMMITTEES (AMENDMENT) REGULATION 2023 (GS 2329)**

#### **REGULATION FOR APPROVAL**

502 The motion

‘That the Vacancy in See Committees (Amendment) Regulation be approved.’

was carried.

## **PROROGATION**

8 The ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY prorogued the Synod at 4.24 p.m.