

**Monday 26 February 2024**

**2.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.**

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**ORDER PAPER VI**

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**ESTATES EVANGELISM (GS 2345)**

*The Bishop of Blackburn* to move:

**19** 'This Synod:

- (a) dedicate itself afresh to the goal of achieving a loving, serving and worshipping Christian community on every significant social housing estate to mark the fifth anniversary of Synod Motion GS 2122
- (b) commend the work of all who minister on our estates and gives thanks for those Dioceses who have responded positively to the 2019 Motion
- (c) call on all Dioceses to include in their strategic mission and ministry plans the goal of planting and renewing churches on social housing estates/other economically marginalised communities
- (d) call on the whole church to address as a matter of urgency the structural and financial injustices that prevent flourishing and sustainable worshipping communities on every estate (for example the financial inequalities between dioceses and the distribution of LInC Funding)
- (e) commit itself to taking the necessary steps to raise up a new generation of lay and ordained leaders from estates and working class backgrounds (by for example addressing the recommendations of the Ministry Council's Report 'Let Justice Roll Down') at all levels in the church.'

*Mr Paul Waddell* (Southwark) to move as an amendment:

**59** 'In paragraph (c) after "renewing churches on" *insert* " , and/or doubling the number of young active disciples in".'

*The Revd Dr Sean Doherty* (Universities and TEIs) to move as an amendment:

- 60 'In paragraph (e) after "raise up" *insert* "and support".'

*The Revd Frazer Oates* (Worcester) to move as an amendment:

- 61 'In paragraph (e) at the end *insert* "including a commitment to invest creatively in local and grassroots forms of ministry and leadership training".'

*Mr Paul Waddell* (Southwark) to move as an amendment:

- 62 'At the end *insert*:

"( ) request the Estates Evangelism Task Group to work alongside diocesan vocations advisors, the 30,000 Project and other related bodies to ensure that priority is given to the formation of young people from estates and low income communities to serve as children's and young people's leaders, as well as in other forms of Christian ministry".'

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### **SPECIAL AGENDA III:**

#### **PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS**

#### **CLERGY PENSIONS (GS 2330A AND GS 2330B)**

*The Revd Dr Ian Paul* (Southwell & Nottingham) to move:

- 20 'That this Synod request the Archbishops' Council, the Pensions Board, and the Church Commissioners to work together to find a way to make use of the whole range of assets and resources across the Church to enable the restoration of the clergy pension to its pre-2011 benefit level as soon as possible.'

*Mr Carl Hughes* (ex officio) (Archbishops' Council) to move as an amendment:

- 63 '*Leave out* all the words after "That this Synod" and *insert* "(a) request the Archbishops' Council, the Pensions Board, and the Church Commissioners to work together with dioceses to explore ways in which the level of clergy

pensions and stipends might be improved in a sustainable manner, with reference being made to the impact of changes to clergy pension benefits and the National Minimum Stipend (NMS) since 1998, including the change in level of the pension benefit from 2/3 of NMS prior to 2011; and

- (b) in doing this work to have regard to the findings of the Clergy Remuneration Review (GS 2247 and GS Misc 1298) and in particular the policy that the National Minimum Stipend should, in future, on average, increase in line with inflation (as measured by CPIH) subject to three yearly reviews and the need to review this position if high levels of inflation establish themselves.”.’

*Mr Ian Boothroyd* (Southwell and Nottingham) to move as an amendment:

- 64** ‘At the end *insert* “and request the Archbishops’ Council, the Pensions Board and the Church Commissioners to consider what steps may be taken to remedy the fall in the real value of pensions for clergy retiring since 2021, and to avoid such a fall reoccurring in any future period of high inflation.”.’

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## **LIVING IN LOVE AND FAITH (GS 2346)**

*The Bishop of Leicester* to move:

- 21** ‘That this Synod welcome the further work carried out on Living in Love and Faith and the focus on reconciliation and bridge building; and ask that the proposal for a set of commitments through which the whole Church can continue to pursue the implementation of the motions previously passed by Synod on Living in Love and Faith, be brought back to Synod as soon as possible.’

*The Revd Joy Mawdesley* (Oxford) to move as an amendment:

- 65** ‘*Leave out* “welcome” and *insert* “note”.’

*Mr Ed Shaw* (Bristol) to move as an amendment:

- 66** ‘After “bridge-building” *insert* “and acknowledge that for many in the Church of England, including members of General Synod, some of the issues raised are not matters on which they can simply agree to disagree”.’

*Miss Jane Patterson* (Sheffield) to move as an amendment:

- 67** ‘After “bridge-building” *insert* “and welcome the greater emphasis on openness and transparency”.’

*The Revd Charlie Skrine* (London) to move as an amendment:

- 68** ‘*Leave out* from “the proposal” to “Living in Love and Faith” and *insert* “proposals for a set of commitments together with a settlement based on legally secure structural provision”.’

*Mr Andrew Cornes* (Chichester) to move as an amendment:

- 69** ‘At the end *insert* “, paying attention particularly to a restoration of, and growth in, mutual trust, especially over theological, pastoral and legal matters”.’

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*Evening Worship*

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