

**DIOCESE OF CHELMSFORD
DIOCESAN SYNOD**

There will be a meeting of the Diocesan Synod at Christ Church in Wanstead
starting at 10.00 am Saturday 17 June 2017

AGENDA

Approx timings

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| 09:30 | ARRIVAL AND COFFEE | |
| 10:00 | WORSHIP LED BY ARCHDEACON OF STANSTED | |
| 10:20 | I. NOTICES | |
| | 2. MINUTES OF DIOCESAN SYNOD HELD ON 11 MARCH 2017 | |
| 10:25 | 3. PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS | Rt Revd Stephen Cottrell |
| 10:40 | 4. 500 ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION | Revd Dr Charlotte Methuen |
| 11:45 | COFFEE BREAK | |
| 12:15 | 5. SCHOOL FOR DISCIPLES UPDATE | Rt Revd Stephen Cottrell |
| 12:20 | 6. DBF AGM: separate agenda attached | |
| 12:25 | 7. 2018 BUDGET
Paper DS(2017)04 attached | John Ball |

The Chair of the DBF to move:

'That this Synod

- a) *approve the Diocesan Budget for 2018 and the total Share of £16,858,676*
- b) *note the outline plans for 2019 and 2020*
- c) *approve the apportionment of the total Share according to the approved Share scheme; and*
- d) *agree a cap of 2.5% in increases in gross share (before credits) compared with 2017, for benefices operating under transitional Benefice Share, except where specific agreements are made.'*

12:40 **8. SAFEGUARDING**
Paper DS(2017)05 attached

'That this Synod adopt Promoting a Safer Church, the Church of England's national safeguarding policy Statement to sit alongside our diocesan policy and guidance, and commend this Statement to all worshipping communities in East London and Essex.'

12:55 **9. BISHOP'S COUNCIL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORTS**
Paper DS(2017)06 attached

13:00 **10. QUESTIONS** see notes for details

13:20 **CLOSE**

Lunch - A sandwich lunch will be served after the close of Synod.

NOTES

Questions: In accordance with Standing Order 29 seven days prior notice is required. Questions must be received no later than Saturday 10 June 2017 either in hard copy at the Diocesan Office or by email to nwhitehead@chelmsford.anglican.org

In accordance with Standing Orders 74 and 75, members are encouraged to use this opportunity to seek information from any officer of the Synod or senior member of Diocesan staff relating to their duties or from the President of Synod or the Chair of any body constituted by the Synod or on which it is represented. Questions shall relate to the duties assigned to officers, or in the case of the Chair of any body, to the business of that body. Questions shall not ask for an expression of opinion or for the solution of an abstract legal question or a hypothetical problem.

In accordance with Standing Order 74, a member may ask up to **two** original questions at one meeting. Any member may ask a supplementary question in relation to the original question; the Chair may allow up to three supplementary questions, giving the member who tabled the original question preference.

Questions for written answer are also possible, and are often the best way of obtaining a detailed response, particularly on a complex issue: answers will be given to the questioner within 24 days of the Synod and will be reported in the Minutes.

Badges – Please wear your name badge.

Speeches – members are requested to announce their name and deanery before they address Synod.

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