CHELMSFORD DIOCESAN SYNOD
HOUSE OF LAITY

Minutes of the meeting held on Saturday 16 March 2019
at Chelmsford Cathedral

1. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17 NOVEMBER 2018

The minutes were approved.

2. CO-OPTION OF MEMBERS

Judith Meaden, President of the Diocesan Mothers’ Union, had been proposed for co-option by Canon Ron McLernon and Canon Christine Horton. Members approved this co-option.

The Chair explained that he had hoped that, following the in principle decision at the previous meeting, there would be proposals for co-options from the Youth Synod. Unfortunately individuals had not been identified. Named individuals were required for proposals to co-opt and it is hoped that the Area Youth Synod meetings will identify one young person each prior to the June Synod. There would then be a short House of Laity meeting to formalise the co-option prior to the June Synod. This would need to be repeated should the representatives from the Youth Synod change.

The Chair reported that he had attended the last Youth Synod meeting and was encouraged by their engagement with issues. He also reported that we appear to be the only Diocese making such a commitment to involve young people formally in the Synod.

3. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None