CHELMSFORD DIOCESAN SYNOD
HOUSE OF LAITY

Minutes of the meeting held on Saturday 17 November 2018 at Chelmsford Cathedral

Canon Christine Horton began the meeting as Chair.

1. **ELECTION OF THE CHAIR**

One nomination had been received for Chair of the House. This was from Canon Robert Hammond. There being no other candidates Canon Robert Hammond was elected as Chair of the House. Canon Robert Hammond took over as Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

2. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 18 JUNE 2016**

The minutes were approved.

3. **CO-OPTION OF MEMBERS**

It was noted that there were no proposals for co-option to be considered at this meeting.

The Chair outlined the aspiration that the Diocesan Youth Synod would have representatives on Diocesan Synod. One of the ways to achieve this would be through co-option. The Chair asked members to support the proposal, in principle, that co-options could be used when the appropriate members of the Youth Synod had been identified. It was proposed that three co-options, one per Episcopal Area, be reserved for this purpose. Members wholeheartedly, unanimously welcomed and approved this proposal.

4. **APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY**

The Chair proposed Nathan Whitehead as Secretary to the House. The proposal was approved.

5. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

None