



# St Albans Diocesan Synod

**Saturday 9 March 2019**

All Saints Academy  
Dunstable

President: The Lord Bishop of St Albans

## NOTICE TO MEMBERS

A meeting of the Diocesan Synod will be held at All Saints Academy, Houghton Road, Dunstable LU5 5AB on Saturday, 9 March 2019. **There is parking within the grounds, but members are encouraged to share cars where possible. In order to reduce the use of disposable cups, you might also like to bring your own cup for refreshments.**

The Session will commence at 09.30 am and is expected to finish not later than 12.30 pm.

Please bring with you this Agenda and supporting papers.

Members will be requested to sign an attendance sheet on arrival. Anyone wishing to attend who is not a member must contact Ruth Carl (01727 818131 [diosecpa@stalbans.anglican.org](mailto:diosecpa@stalbans.anglican.org)) in advance so their name can be added to the list of attendees.

If you wish to move any amendment to the specified resolutions, at least 7 days' notice must be given. Any amendment must, therefore, reach the Secretary to the Synod at Holywell Lodge, 41 Holywell Hill, St Albans on or before **FRIDAY 1 March** and it will be circulated among members at the opening of the Synod. If such notice is not given, an amendment may then only be moved under the provisions of Standing Orders 21, 22 and 42 - 48. Copies of Standing Orders have already been circulated to all members. Spare copies will be available at Synod.

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for .pdf copies of Synod Agendas and accompanying paperwork,  
dates of future Synods and other information.

**TO FACILITATE THE DISCUSSION SESSION  
OVER COFFEE, TABLE NUMBERS  
WILL BE ALLOCATED ON YOUR ARRIVAL**

**PLEASE TAKE YOUR NUMBER BEFORE ENTERING  
THE HALL**

**THANK YOU**

# AGENDA

9.30 am

## 1. **PRAYERS**

To be led by the Reverend Michael Macey (Assistant Rural Dean, Hemel Hempstead Deanery) and the Reverend Caroline Wainman (Assistant Curate in Training, Hemel Hempstead Team Ministry).

## 2. **PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS**

3. To confirm the **MINUTES** of the last meeting held on 13 October 2018 (enclosed).

## 4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS & BUSINESS ITEMS**

10.00 am

## 5. **INTRODUCTION TO 'WHAT HAPPENED LAST TIME'**

Following the introduction at Synod on 13 October 2018, and at the request of the Bishop's Council, the Reverend Simon Cutmore, and with the Chairman's permission under Standing Order No. 4, the Diocesan Communications Officer, will introduce this item.

## 6. **'SHAPING THE FUTURE OF WORK'**

With the Chairman's permission under Standing Order No. 4, Mrs Alison Smith, Chair of the Europe Group, will give a short presentation on 'Shaping the Future of Work'.

There will be an opportunity for discussion over the extended Coffee Break.

A paper **DS/19/01** is enclosed.

## **7. '#LIEDENTITY – WHO YOU ARE IS MORE THAN HOW YOU LOOK'**

At the request of the Bishop's Council, the Archdeacon of Hertford will give a short presentation on '#liedentity – Who you are is more than how you look'.

A paper **DS/19/02** is enclosed.

## **10.40 – 11.15 am (approx.) COFFEE AND ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION**

Over the extended coffee break, there will be an opportunity for discussion and for members to reflect on:

- a) Ways in which digital means could help their parishes to deliver Living God's Love;
- b) How their parishes might make a Christian response to tackling the issues arising from digitalisation.

And to prepare one 'question' and one 'opportunity' arising from their discussion for Item 8, below.

## **8. FEEDBACK AND EXAMPLES FOLLOWED BY A QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION**

Following the extended Coffee Break and Round Table discussion, a Feedback and Examples session will take place facilitated by the Chairman, followed by a Question and Answer Session.

11.45 am

**9. 'CELEBRATING AND INCLUDING BAME PEOPLE IN THE DIOCESE'**

At the request of the Bishop's Council, the Bishop of Bedford, and with the Chairman's permission under Standing Order No. 4, the Reverend Grace Sentamu Baverstock, will give a presentation on 'Celebrating and Including BAME people in the Diocese'.

There will be an opportunity for discussion and questions.

A paper **DS/19/03** is enclosed.

**10.UPDATE ON REACHING NEW PEOPLE**

At the request of the Bishop's Council, the Bishop of Hertford, and with the Chairman's permission under Standing Order No. 4, the Director of Mission, will introduce this item.

There will be an opportunity for discussion and questions.

A paper **DS/19/04** is enclosed.

Synod should finish no later than 12.30 pm.