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All members of Diocesan Synod
[Copies to Rural Deans, Lay Chairmen and Secretaries of Deanery
Synods who are not members of the Diocesan Synod.]

PRELIMINARY NOTICE

DIOCESAN SYNOD: 9.30 am Saturday 15 October 2016
All Saints Academy, Houghton Road, Dunstable LU5 5AB.

I write formally, in accordance with the Diocesan Synod's Standing Order 17, to give preliminary notice of the business likely to be transacted at the next meeting of the Diocesan Synod, which is due to be held on Saturday 15 October 2016 at the All Saints Academy, Dunstable.

Please note that ***the Synod will commence at 9.30 am*** and it is envisaged that it will end no later than 1.00 pm.

Items of business are likely to include the following:-

Prayers to be led by Wheathampstead Deanery

Presidential Address

Minutes

Announcements and business items

Formula for Elections to Deanery Synods

Acknowledgement of 150th Anniversary of Reader Ministry

Anglican Communion Covenant – Withdrawal of 2012 Resolution

Safeguarding presentation

Questions

Stipend Levels for 2017/18

Diocesan Common Fund 2017

Living God's Love 2020

Under Standing Order 21, any items of new business must be submitted not less than 35 days in advance of the session - i.e. ***Friday 9 September 2016***, but the Standing Committee can give no guarantee that such items can be included on the agenda for this session. Questions for answer at this session must be submitted not later than 28 days in advance of the session - i.e. ***Friday 16 September 2016*** - unless a special dispensation has been given to accept later notice. Members submitting questions are particularly asked to make it clear to whom they are addressed.

The agenda and supporting papers for Synod will be issued on ***Friday 23 September 2016***.

S E Pope
Diocesan Secretary
2 September 2016