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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 11 March 2017
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 11 March 2017 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 Cheshunt Deanery

Presidential Address

Minutes

Announcements and business items

Response to the Refugee Crisis in the Diocese of St Albans – Presentation from the Reverend Bonnie Evans-Hills

Questions

Update on Shared Conversations

Fresh Expressions – Changing the Landscape - Presentation from the Reverend Canon Phil Potter – Archbishops' Missioner and Fresh Expressions Team Leader

"Take your vicar to the lab" – short presentation

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 4 February 2017***, 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 11 February*** - 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 18 February***.

S E Pope
Diocesan Secretary
27 January 2017