

Coventry Diocesan Synod – 9 March 2024 - AGENDA

The agenda for a meeting of the Coventry Diocesan Synod, which will be on Saturday 9 March 2024 at 9.30am at **St Nicolas Parish Church, 12 Vicarage Street, Nuneaton, CV11 4AZ**. Refreshments available from 9am.

<i>The opening of the meeting of the Diocesan Synod of the Diocese of Coventry, under the Standing Orders 2009</i>			
<i>The President to take the Chair</i>			
1	Opening prayer and worship To be led by Charles Higgins and Helen Bryant, chaplains to Diocesan Synod.	09:30	CH /HB
2	Notices and apologies for absence	09:45	+R
3	Minutes (DS 24-02) To approve the minutes of the Diocesan Synod meeting held on 18 November 2023.		+R
4	Presidential Address	09:50	+R
5	Annual Safeguarding Report (DS 24-03) Synod to receive the annual report.	10:05	SP
<i>The Chair of the House of Laity to take the chair</i>			
6	Vacancy in See Verbal update on the process so far	10:20	PS
7	General Synod feedback Overview of the previous General Synod session.	10:25	SM/ CM
8	<i>Our Shared Future – Loving One Another</i> <i>Raising Race Awareness in the Diocese</i> - an update on race equality activities underway and planned in the diocese, with small group discussion and feedback.	10:40	NM
Coffee Break		11:05	
<i>The Chair of the House of Clergy to take the chair</i>			
9	<i>Our Shared Future – Healthy People</i> An update on the clergy wellbeing programme of activities underway and planned in 2024, with small group discussion and feedback on the wellbeing of lay people in the diocese.	11:25	TC
10	Deanery Motion (DS 24-04) Shipston Deanery Synod to move the motion: <i>That this synod, mindful of the dire financial situation of many parishes who are exhausting their reserves:</i> <i>a) Seeks the Church Commissioners to increase its share of annual running costs from the current 20% to at least 30%.</i> <i>b) Will submit a diocesan synod motion (DSM) to General Synod, requesting the above increase.</i>	11:50	GH
11	Member Motions <i>Deadline for motions arising from the agenda is 29 February – if no motions are received, this item will not be needed.</i>	12:05	
12	Items to note <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governance Review – update on progress so far and next steps (DS 24-05) • Triennial elections – timeline (DS 24-06) 	12:20	JL
13	Questions received under Standing Order 69 <i>Deadline for questions is 29 February – if no questions are received, this item will not be needed.</i>	12:25	+R
14	2024 meeting dates Tues 2 July (evening), Sat 16 November Locations to be confirmed.		
Bishop Ruth to close the meeting		12:35	+R