

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2019 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 7.00 P.M.
ON FRIDAY 5TH JULY 2019

WORSHIP

The Revd Michael Gisbourne led the Synod in an act of worship.

INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOMES

1 The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK introduced the following new members:

The Rt Revd Graham Usher, (Bishop of Norwich) (who had replaced the Rt Revd Graham James)

The Rt Revd David Williams, (Bishop of Basingstoke (who had replaced the Rt Revd Jonathan Frost)

The Revd Nancy Goodrich, (Diocese of Blackburn) (who had replaced the Revd Fleur Green)

The Ven Elizabeth Snowden, (Diocese of Chelmsford) (who had replaced the Ven Sally Lodge)

The Revd Louise Williams, (Diocese of Chelmsford) (who had replaced the Rt Revd John Perumbalath)

The Revd David Hague, (Diocese of Chelmsford) (who had replaced the Revd Canon Jenny Tomlinson)

Ms Mary Talbot, (Diocese in Europe) (who had replaced Mrs Madeleine Ratcliff Holmes)

The Revd Valerie Plumb, (Diocese of Oxford) (who had replaced the Revd Sam Allberry)

The Revd Dr Anderson Jeremiah, (Universities and TEIs) (who had replaced the Rt Revd Dr Emma Ineson)

The Revd Charlotte Cook (Archbishops' Council) (who had replaced the Revd Canon Dr Rosalyn Murphy)

Mr Joseph Diwakar, (Archbishops' Council) (who had replaced Mrs Rebecca Salter)

Mr Clive Mather, (Chair of the Pensions Board) (who had replaced Mr Jonathan Spencer)

The Ven James Ridge, (Chaplain of Her Majesty's Prison and Probation Service)

The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK welcomed the following Ecumenical Representatives who were sitting in Synod for the first time, Anglican Communion Representatives, and guests from other churches:

Mrs Susan Howdle (Methodist Church)
The Revd Dr David Coulter (Church of Scotland)
The Revd Sarah Moore (United Reformed Church)
Mr Ken Gibson (Church of Ireland)
Fr Simon Platt (Russian Orthodox Church)
The Rt Revd Elof Westergaard, Bishop of Ribe (Evangelical Lutheran Church in Demark, within the Porvoo Communion of Churches)
The Revd Dr Joseph Bilal (Episcopal Church of South Sudan)
Archbishop Julio Thompson (Primate, Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America)
Mrs Sheran Harper (Worldwide President of Mothers' Union)

ADDRESS FROM THE ECUMENICAL GUEST

- 2 At the invitation of the Presidents, the Right Reverend Elof Westergaard, Bishop of Ribe, Evangelical Lutheran Church in Denmark addressed the Synod under Standing Order 120.

REPORT BY THE BUSINESS COMMITTEE (GS 2130)

- 3 The motion

‘That the Synod do take note of this Report.’

was carried.

PRESENTATION FROM THE MOTHERS' UNION WORLDWIDE PRESIDENT

- 4 Mrs Sheran Harper, the Mothers' Union Worldwide President, addressed the Synod under Standing Order 107.

**SPECIAL AGENDA I:
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

AMENDING CANON NO. 39 (GS 2047DD)

Article 7 Business

Canon for Enactment (Final Approval, February 2019)

The Chair reported that the Royal Assent and Licence to promulge Amending Canon No. 39 had been received and the Registrar read the Instrument of Enactment.

500 The motion

‘That the Canon entitled “Amending Canon No. 39” be made, promulged and executed.’

was carried.

The Instrument of Enactment was signed by the Archbishops, the Prolocutors and the Chair and the Vice-Chair of the House of Laity.

**DRAFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS)
MEASURE (GS 2104B)**

DRAFT AMENDING CANON NO. 41 (GS 2105B)

Article 7 Business (both items)

**Draft Measure and Draft Amending Canon for Final Drafting (Revised
February 2019)**

Report by the Steering Committee (GS 2104Z/2105Z)

501 The motion

‘That the Synod do take note of this Report.’

was carried.

512 The motion

Clause 6, page 6, line 26, at end insert—

“(3E) The reference in subsection (3D)(a) to a person’s spouse includes a reference to a spouse of the same sex as that person.”

Clause 6, page 6, line 42, at end insert—

“(8) The reference in subsection (7)(a) to a person’s spouse includes a reference to a spouse of the same sex as that person.”

Clause 6, page 7, line 4, at end insert—

“(16) The reference in subsection (15)(a) to a person’s spouse includes a reference to a spouse of the same sex as that person.”

Clause 6, page 7, line 12, at end insert—

“(6) The reference in subsection (5)(a) to a person’s spouse includes a reference to a spouse of the same sex as that person.”

was moved.

ADJOURNMENT OF DEBATE

The motion ‘That the debate now be adjourned and resumed on Monday 8th July’ was lost.

512 The motion was carried.

513 The motion

After clause 12 insert the following New Clause—

“Pensions

12A Pensions: minor amendments

1) In section 11 of the Church of England Pensions Measure 2018 (liability of the Church Commissioners), at the end insert—

“(4) This section does not affect any liability of the Church Commissioners in their capacity as a responsible body within the meaning of section 10.”

2) The Pensions (Pre-consolidation) Order 2018 (S.I. 2018/906) is revoked.”

was carried.

The Chair reported that the draft Church of England Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure and draft Amending Canon No.41, being Article 7 Business, now stood committed to the House of Bishops.

VARIATION IN THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

Under Standing Order 9(1)(a) the order of business for the current sitting was varied by the Chair with the consent of the Synod so that the time fixed for the commencement of item 5 was varied from “not later than 5.10 p.m.” to “not later than 5.25 p.m.” and so that the time fixed for the commencement of item 6 was varied from “not later than 5.40 p.m. to “not later than 5.55 p.m.”.

DRAFT DIOCESAN BOARDS OF EDUCATION MEASURE (GS 2131)

Draft Measure for First Consideration

507 The motion

‘That the Measure entitled “Diocesan Boards of Education Measure” be considered for revision in committee’

was carried.

The Chair reported that the Draft Diocesan Boards of Education Measure stood automatically committed to a Revision Committee and that notice of amendments must be submitted to the Clerk to the Synod not later than 5.30 p.m. on Friday 9th August.

LIVING IN LOVE AND FAITH AND THE PASTORAL ADVISORY GROUP (GS Misc 1217)

5 A presentation was given under Standing Order 107.

QUESTIONS

- 6 Supplementary questions in respect to questions 1 to 61, as set out on the Questions Notice Paper, were answered.

EVENING WORSHIP

Mr Justin Brett led the Synod in an act of worship.

The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK dismissed the Synod with a blessing at 7.30pm.

55th REPORT OF THE STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE (GS2143)

Under Standing Order 40(5) the proposed amendments to Standing Orders set out in items 32 to 34 on the First Notice Paper were deemed to have been approved by the General Synod, 5 members not having given notice of a wish to have any proposed amendment debated.

LEGAL OFFICERS (ANNUAL FEES) ORDER 2019 (GS 2147)

Under Standing Order 71(2) the Legal Officers (Annual Fees) Order 2019 was deemed to have been approved by the General Synod, no member having given notice of a wish to have the Order debated.

ECCLESIASTICAL JUDGES, LEGAL OFFICERS AND OTHERS (FEES) ORDER 2019 (GS 2148)

Under Standing Order 71(2) the Legal Officers (Annual Fees) Order 2019 was deemed to have been approved by the General Synod, no member having given notice of a wish to have the Order debated.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2019 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 12.30 P.M.
SATURDAY 6TH JULY 2019

WORSHIP

Ms. Shayne Ardron led the Synod in an act of worship.

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

7 The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK gave a Presidential Address.

RESPONDING TO SERIOUS YOUTH VIOLENCE: DEBATE ON A MOTION FROM THE MISSION AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COUNCIL (GS 2132)

8 The motion

‘That this Synod, recognizing that Serious Youth Violence affects the whole community:

- a) call upon the National Church Institutions to recognize the opportunity the Church of England has to contribute to understanding of Serious Youth Violence and strategies to prevent it and to make available resources for those affected;
- b) call upon Diocesan Boards of Education to recognize how the use of Exclusions impacts on serious youth violence and encourage alternative provision;
- c) call upon dioceses to resource:
 - i. information about locally based resource and support networks, and training for church leaders in best practice for supporting those affected by Serious Youth Violence, including gun and knife crime,
 - ii. partnership work with statutory organizations and wider civil society to provide pastoral care for people affected by serious youth violence.’

was moved.

42 The amendment (Order Paper II) was lost.

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8 The motion

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- b) call upon Diocesan Boards of Education to recognize how the use of Exclusions impacts on serious youth violence and encourage alternative provision;
- c) call upon dioceses to resource:
 - iii. information about locally based resource and support networks, and training for church leaders in best practice for supporting those affected by Serious Youth Violence, including gun and knife crime,
 - iv. partnership work with statutory organizations and wider civil society to provide pastoral care for people affected by serious youth violence.’

was carried following a counted vote of the whole Synod. The voting was as follows:

IN FAVOUR	315
AGAINST	0

No abstentions were recorded.

CLERGY WELLBEING (GS 2133)

9 A presentation was made under Standing Order 107.

The Business Committee had determined under Standing Order 107(3) that this presentation should include an opportunity for questions.

10 The motion

‘That this Synod:

- a) adopt the Covenant set out at paragraph 20 of GS 2133 as a statement of its commitment to clergy care and wellbeing;
- b) request the Business Committee, with the agreement of the Presidents, to make arrangements so that the Covenant can be affirmed and proclaimed an Act of Synod at the February 2020 group of sessions;
- c) request the Clergy Wellbeing Working Group to oversee the transformation of the proposals contained in GS 2133 into actual practice, in particular by making the Shared Commitments and Big Conversation (at paragraphs 21 to 32 of GS 2133) available online in a way that enables their practical use by clergy, parishes, deaneries and dioceses by the end of 2019;
- d) request the Appointments Committee to appoint members to a Clergy Care and Wellbeing Facilitation Group to encourage and evaluate progress in the field of clergy care and wellbeing across the Church of England, with a view to the Group reporting to the General Synod within the 2020-25 Quinquennium.’

was moved.

45 The amendment (Order Paper II) lapsed.

10 The motion

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- a) adopt the Covenant set out at paragraph 20 of GS 2133 as a statement of its commitment to clergy care and wellbeing;
- b) request the Business Committee, with the agreement of the Presidents, to make arrangements so that the Covenant can be affirmed and proclaimed an Act of Synod at the February 2020 group of sessions;
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Commitments and Big Conversation (at paragraphs 21 to 32 of GS 2133) available online in a way that enables their practical use by clergy, parishes, deaneries and dioceses by the end of 2019;

- d) request the Appointments Committee to appoint members to a Clergy Care and Wellbeing Facilitation Group to encourage and evaluate progress in the field of clergy care and wellbeing across the Church of England, with a view to the Group reporting to the General Synod within the 2020-25 Quinquennium.’

was carried.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2019 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 7.00 P.M.
ON SUNDAY 7TH JULY 2019

PRAYER

Bishop Peter Hancock (Bishop of Bath and Wells) led the Synod in prayer for the survivors of abuse.

QUESTIONS

- 11 Supplementary questions in respect of questions 92 to 111, as set out on the Questions Notice Paper, were answered.

SAFEGUARDING (GS 2134)

- 12 A presentation was given under Standing Order 107.

The Business Committee had determined under Standing Order 107(3) that this presentation should include an opportunity for questions.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE SYNOD

The Chair adjourned the Synod for an interval for the better conduct of the Synod's business under Standing Order 15(8)(a).

MISSION AND MINISTRY IN COVENANT (GS 2135 and GS 2086)

- 13 The motion

‘That the Synod:

- a) welcome the work done by the faith and order bodies to respond to issues raised in the initial reception of *Mission and Ministry in Covenant*, while also recognising that, for some within the Church of England, concerns about the proposals remain;
- b) support the recommendations intended to address those issues that are listed in the final paragraph of the report on further

work from the faith and order bodies regarding *Mission and Ministry in Covenant*;

- c) call on the Archbishops' Council to introduce legislation of the kind described in paragraphs 75 to 81 of *Mission and Ministry in Covenant* for first consideration at the February 2020 group of sessions; and
- d) request the Faith and Order Commission to work with the Methodist Church's Faith and Order Committee on drafting texts for the 'formal declaration', the inaugural service or services and the service of welcome referred to in the recommendations in the final paragraph of the report on further work, and for the guidelines for the practice of presbyters / priests from one church being received to serve in the other referred to in paragraph 142, with full draft texts being made available to the Synod prior to final approval of the legislation referred to in (c) above.'

was moved.

46 The amendment (Order Paper III) was carried.

47 The amendment (Order Paper III) was lost following a counted vote of the whole Synod. The voting was as follows:

IN FAVOUR	118
AGAINST	224

13 abstentions were recorded.

48 The amendment (Order Paper III) was carried following a counted vote of the whole Synod. The voting was as follows:

IN FAVOUR	221
AGAINST	127

8 abstentions were recorded.

13 The motion (as amended)

‘That the Synod

- a) Affirm the priority of doing mission together and welcome the work done by the faith and order bodies to respond to issues raised in the initial reception of *Mission and Ministry in Covenant*, while also recognising that, for some within the Church of England, concerns about the proposals remain;
- b) support the recommendations intended to address those issues that are listed in the final paragraph of the report on further work from the faith and order bodies regarding *Mission and Ministry in Covenant*;
- c) request the Faith and Order Commission to work with the Methodist Church’s Faith and Order Committee on drafting texts for the ‘formal declaration’, the inaugural service or services and the service of welcome referred to in the recommendations in the final paragraph of the report on further work, and for the guidelines for the practice of presbyters / priests from one church being received to serve in the other referred to in paragraph 142, with full draft texts being made available to the Synod; and
- d) request the House of Bishops to report during the next quinquennium on the progress made on the work described in the previous paragraph, together with proposals for implementation.’

was carried after a counted vote by Houses. The voting was as follows

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	35	1
Clergy	130	20
Laity	123	29

1 abstention was recorded in the House of Bishops, 9 abstentions in the House of Clergy, and 10 abstentions in the House of Laity.

SPECIAL AGENDA IV

DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTION

REFUGEE PROFESSIONALS (GS 2126A and GS 2126B)

14 The motion

‘That this Synod, recognising:

- (a) that among the refugees and asylum seekers coming to this country there are some who are well qualified in medicine, teaching, law or other professions but who need to undertake appropriate courses and placements before they are ready to practise here;
- (b) that it is desirable for these skills to be put to use to ease shortages of qualified professionals; and
- (c) that enabling refugee professionals to practise in the UK could be beneficial for integration and community relations

therefore

- (i) encourage each diocese, in collaboration with the Refugee Council or similar specialist organisations, to provide the financial and other support required for at least one refugee qualified from a wide range of skills to receive the advice and training necessary for their accreditation in the UK; and
- (ii) request the Council for Mission and Public Affairs to provide dioceses with advice on this project.’

was moved.

49 The amendment (Order Paper III) was carried.

14 The motion (as amended)

That this Synod, recognising:

- (a) that among the refugees and asylum seekers coming to this country there are some who are well qualified in medicine, teaching, law or other professions but who need to undertake appropriate courses and placements before they are ready to practise here;
- (b) that it is desirable for these skills to be put to use to ease shortages of qualified professionals; and
- (c) that enabling refugee professionals to practise in the UK could be beneficial for integration and community relations therefore encourage each diocese, in collaboration with the Refugee Council or similar specialist organisations, to help enable healthy integration into local communities by:
 - (i) supporting adequate provision of, and access to, good English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) provision for asylum seekers and refugees;
 - (ii) supporting refugees in accessing the workforce, including the provision of practical support to receive the advice and training necessary for their accreditation in the UK;
 - (iii) supporting ‘Lift the Ban’ to enable asylum seekers have the right to work if their application takes more than 6 months;
 - (iv) requesting the Council for Mission and Public Affairs to assist by offering research and advice on the best models for fulfilling these aims.’

was carried.

EVENING WORSHIP

Mr Mike Stallybrass (Diocese of York) led the Synod in an act of Worship.

The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK dismissed the Synod with the blessing at 7.10 p.m.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2019 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 12.30 P.M.
MONDAY 8th JULY 2019

MORNING WORSHIP

The Revd Michael Gisbourne led the Synod in an act of worship.

BIBLE STUDY

The Revd Isabelle Hamley led the Synod in a Bible Study.

SPECIAL AGENDA I

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

DRAFT CATHEDRALS MEASURE (GS 2136)

Draft Measure for First Consideration

508 The motion

‘That the Measure entitled “Cathedrals Measure” be considered for revision in committee.’

was carried.

The Chair reported that the Measure entitled “Cathedrals Measure” stood committed to a Revision Committee and that notice of amendments must be submitted to the Clerk to the Synod not later than 5.30 p.m. on Friday 9th August.

FACULTY JURISDICTION (AMENDMENT) RULES (GS 2137)

Rules under section 83 of the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure 2018 for approval

509 The motion

‘That the Faculty Jurisdiction (Amendment) Rules 2019 be approved.’

was carried.

The Chair reported that the Faculty Jurisdiction (Amendment) Rules 2019 would be laid before both Houses of Parliament pursuant to the Statutory Instruments Act 1946.

DRAFT AMENDING CANON NO. 40 (GS 2103B)

Article 7 business

Draft Amending Canon for Final Approval

(Revised at the February 2019 group of sessions)

505 The motion

‘That the Canon entitled “Amending Canon No. 40” be finally approved.’

was carried following a counted vote by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	23	0
Clergy	100	0
Laity	111	0

No abstentions were recorded.

506 The motion

‘That the petition for Her Majesty’s Royal Assent and Licence (GS 2103C) be adopted.’

was carried.

PRESENTATION ON THE ARCHBISHOPS' COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT (GS 2138)

- 15 A presentation was given by Mrs Mary Chapman and the Revd Ian Paul under Standing Order 107.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER OF THE ARCHBISHOPS' COUNCIL

- 16 The motion

‘That the appointment of Mrs Maureen Cole as a member of the Archbishops’ Council for a term ending on 31 December 2024 be approved.’

was carried.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2019 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 7.00 P.M.
MONDAY 8th JULY 2019

VARIATION IN THE ORDER OF BUSINESS

Under Standing Order 9(1)(a), the order of business for the sitting on Monday afternoon was varied by the Chair with the general consent of the Synod so that Items 37 to 41 (Order Paper V Supplement) would be taken immediately before Item 35 (Order Paper V Supplement).

TRIENNIUM FUNDING WORKING GROUP (GS 2140)

17 A Presentation was given under Standing Order 107.

FINANCIAL BUSINESS

ARCHBISHOPS' COUNCIL'S BUDGET AND PROPOSALS FOR APPORTIONMENT FOR 2020 (GS 2141)

Under Standing Order 22(3) the Chair lengthened the time limit for Canon John Spence's speech on the basis that he was moving numerous items without a speech.

Under Standing Order 21(8) the Chair, with the consent of the Synod, allowed Canon John Spence with speak more than once in response to questions.

18 The motion

‘That the Synod do take note of this Report.’

was carried.

19 The motion

‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops' Council's expenditure for the year 2020, as shown in its budget, of £17,589,013 in respect of Training for Ministry.’

was carried.

20 The motion

‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s expenditure for the year 2020, as shown in its budget, of £22,088,169 in respect of National Church Responsibilities.’

was carried.

21 The motion

‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s expenditure for the year 2020, as shown in its budget, of £1,241,579 in respect of Grants.’

was carried.

22 The motion

‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s expenditure for the year 2020, as shown in its budget, of £697,742 in respect of Mission agency pension contributions.’

was carried.

23 The motion

‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s expenditure for the year 2020, as shown in its budget, of £5,298,598 in respect of Clergy retirement housing grant.’

was carried.

24 The motion

‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops’ Council’s proposals (set out in the Table of Apportionment contained in GS 2141) for the apportionment amongst the dioceses of the net sum to be provided by them to enable the Council to meet the expected expenditure shown in its budget for the year 2020.’

was carried.

25 The motion

‘That this Synod approve the Archbishops' Council's proposals (set out in the Table of Apportionment contained in GS 2141) for the pooling adjustment for 2020 in respect of additional maintenance grants for ordinands.’

was carried.

SPECIAL AGENDA I

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Draft Measure and Draft Amending Canon for Final Approval

Article 7 Business (both items)

DRAFT CHURCH OF ENGLAND (MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS)

MEASURE (GS 2104B)

502 The motion

‘That the Measure entitled “Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure” be finally approved.’

was carried following a counted vote by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	22	0
Clergy	94	0
Laity	110	0

1 abstention was recorded in the House of Laity.

DRAFT AMENDING CANON NO. 41 (GS 2105B)

503 The motion

‘That the Canon entitled “Amending Canon No. 41” be finally approved.’

was carried following a counted vote by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	22	0
Clergy	94	0
Laity	114	0

There were 2 recorded abstentions in the House of Laity.

504 The motion

‘That the petition for Her Majesty’s Royal Assent and Licence (GS 2105C) be adopted.’

was carried.

MISSION-SHAPED CHURCH 15 YEARS ON (GS 2142)

26 The Rt Revd Steven Croft, Bishop of Oxford and the Revd Heather Cracknell gave a presentation to the Synod under Standing Order 107.

27 The motion

‘That this Synod:

- (a) celebrate this new missionary movement of the last 20 years and the impact made on the Church and society through the planting of thousands of fresh expressions of church since the Mission Shaped Church report in 2004.
- (b) encourage every parish and diocese to be part of this movement forming new disciples and new

congregations through a contextual approach to mission with the unreached in their community.

- (c) call on the Archbishops' Council to bring to General Synod an update on the progress of the new project being led by the Head of Development for fresh expressions to develop fresh expressions in ten dioceses by July 2021.'

was carried.

55th REPORT OF THE STANDING ORDERS COMMITTEE (GS 2143)

Standing Order 136 (Crown Nominations Commission: functions)

37 The motion (Order Paper V Supplement) was carried.

38 The motion (Order Paper V Supplement) was carried.

39 The motion (Order Paper V Supplement) was carried.

40 The motion (Order Paper V Supplement) was carried.

41 The motion (Order Paper V Supplement) was carried.

35 The motion (Order Paper V Supplement) was moved.

50 The amendment (Order Paper V Supplement) was carried.

51 The amendment (Order Paper V Supplement) was carried.

35 The motion (Order Paper V Supplement, as amended by items 50 and 51) was carried.

The sitting ended before item 36 and 52 – 55 could be moved.

GENERAL SYNOD
JULY 2019 GROUP OF SESSIONS
BUSINESS DONE AT 1.00 P.M.
TUESDAY 9TH JULY 2019

MORNING WORSHIP

Members of St Michael le Belfry led the Synod in an act of worship.

SETTING GOD’S PEOPLE FREE (GS 2145)

28 The motion

‘That this Synod,

- a) note the progress made in implementing the recommendations of the report Setting God’s People Free (GS 2056);
- b) affirm the importance of work undertaken in dioceses and across the NCIs to enable the whole people of God to live out the Good News of Jesus confidently in all of life, Sunday to Saturday; and
- c) call on the Archbishops' Council, the House of Bishops, and the dioceses to drive forward the changes in culture the Report demands.’

was moved.

56 The amendment (Order Paper VI) was carried.

57 The amendment (Order Paper VI) was carried.

58 The amendment (Order Paper VI) was carried.

59 The amendment (Order Paper VI) was carried.

60 The amendment (Order Paper VI) was carried.

28 The motion (as amended)

‘That this Synod:

- a) note the progress made in implementing the recommendations of the report Setting God's People Free (GS2056);
- b) affirm the importance of work undertaken in dioceses and across the NCIs to enable the whole people of God to live out the Good News of Jesus confidently in all of life, Sunday to Saturday;
- c) affirm the importance of the laity within the whole people of God and emphasise all can and should play a full part in living out the Good News regardless of their race, class, gender, sexuality or physical ability;
- d) call on the Archbishops' Council, the House of Bishops, and the dioceses to drive forward the changes in culture the Report demands especially in the area of lay and clergy mutuality and relationships;
- e) call on the Archbishops' Council to maintain focus on this as a strategic priority throughout the next quinquennium; and
- f) encourage further work to explore and broaden our understanding of God's kingdom in our daily lives to enable and embed the desired culture mentioned in this report.'

was carried.

SPECIAL AGENDA I

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

DRAFT LEGISLATIVE REFORM (PATRONAGE OF BENEFICES) ORDER 2019 (GS 2128A)

Draft Legislative Reform Order for approval

510 The motion

'That the Draft Legislative Reform (Patronage of Benefices) Order 2019 be approved.'

was carried.

CHURCH REPRESENTATION RULES (AMENDMENT) RESOLUTION 2019 (GS 2146)

Resolution of the General Synod under section 7 of the Synodical Government Measure 1969 for approval

511 The motion

‘That the Church Representation Rules (Amendment) Resolution 2019 be approved.’

was carried following a counted vote by Houses. The voting was as follows:

	IN FAVOUR	AGAINST
Bishops	70	0
Clergy	79	0
Laity	112	1

No abstentions were recorded

SPECIAL AGENDA IV DIOCESAN SYNOD MOTION ANNA CHAPLAINCY (GS 2127A AND GS 2127B)

29 The motion

‘That this Synod:

- a) recognise and commend the important work of “Anna Chaplaincy” and “The Gift of Years”;
- b) request all dioceses to raise the profile of work with those diagnosed with dementia and their carers; and
- c) call on Her Majesty’s Government to report on progress on the achievement of the Prime Minister’s “Challenge on Dementia 2020”, and on what steps are being taken to join up health and social care to ensure the seamless transition from one to the other for people with dementia.’

was carried.

ADDRESS AT THE INVITATION OF THE PRESIDENTS

Under Standing Order 4(3) the Joint Presidents directed the addition to the agenda of the following item of business after Item 29.

The Revd Dr Joseph Bilal (Episcopal Church of South Sudan) addressed the Synod at the invitation of the Presidents under Standing Order 120(1).

FAREWELLS

30 The Bishop of Manchester paid tribute to Andrew Brown, Secretary to the Church Commissioners.

The ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY paid tribute to Bishop of Hereford.

PROROGATION

31 The ARCHBISHOP OF YORK prorogued the Synod at 1 p.m.