

Truro Diocesan Synod - Notice Saturday 14th September 2024

A meeting of the members of Truro Diocesan Synod and Truro Diocesan Board of Finance Ltd will be held at the Church of St Petroc's, Bodmin, on Saturday, 14th September, 2024, commencing at 9.30am with refreshments available from 9.00am.

Please note, this meeting is not hybrid, it is in person only, due to the need to hold separate meetings of the Houses of Clergy and Laity. We plan to revert to hybrid meetings from November.

Simon Cade
Diocesan Secretary

Meeting as Diocesan Synod, the business will include:

- Worship with Holy Communion
- Presidential Address
- Questions under Standing Orders - see note below
- Welcoming and introduction to the workings of Diocesan Synod
- An overview and discussion of the work ahead for Diocesan Synod, including the budget
- A report on Change and Renewal
- Update on Deanery Plan and Diocesan Plan for Change and Renewal priority - children and young people
- Proclamation of Amending Canon 43

And items by way of report:

- A report on the July Sessions of General Synod
- A report from the Bishop's Diocesan Council
- A report on arrangements for Diocesan Synod elections

Meeting separately as the House of Laity, House of Clergy

- For the election of secretary and vice-chair for each house - see note below
- To consider any co-options to Diocesan Synod to the respective houses
- To consider any other business relevant to the houses

Business as a General Meeting of the Truro Diocesan Board of Finance Ltd

- The election of the chair of the Truro Diocesan Board of Finance, Ltd.

By order of the Board

Simon Cade
Diocesan Secretary

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SPECIAL NOTES

Detailed agenda

We will publish the full agenda with reports and draft timings about three weeks prior to the meeting, and then a final agenda with more detailed timings and any late changes a day or two before the meeting.

Questions under Standing Orders

Don't forget that members can ask a "Question under Standing Order XB21" by sending a question to Simon Cade in writing at least seven days before the meeting. The question can be addressed to the bishop or the chair of any Synod Committee or formal group, or the Diocesan Registrar. Questions may be referred to officers or others to answer, (and the person asked can decline to answer!). If there is something that you want to know, but aren't sure how to phrase it, have a word with Simon. You don't have to read the question out in front of everyone, but you **do** need to be in attendance at synod either in person (or online when it is a hybrid meeting).

Secretary and Vice-Chair of each House.

The election of a secretary for the house of clergy and house of laity is under Standing Order XB.6 (b) and (c)

The houses do not have to elect a vice chair - it isn't a formal role in the book of rules, but members and the two chairs have found it useful in the past. It will be for the meeting to decide whether to proceed with that.

We will publish draft role descriptions with proposed arrangements for the elections in consultation with the two chairs when we publish the detailed agendas.

Travel and parking

You are entitled to claim for travel costs at 45p a mile plus parking for attending Diocesan Synod. You can use the claim form provided and send it, with any parking receipts, to kate.cortez@truro.anglican.org along with your bank details for payment.

You can also claim other reasonable expenses to allow you to attend. For instance, if your ecclesiastical office requires you to live on an archipelago 32 miles west of Sennen Cove you may also need to claim for flights and accommodation. Parents or carers can also claim reasonable expenses for childcare etc (even if you don't live on an archipelago).

Meeting in person

Meetings of Diocesan Synod are usually hybrid with members able to participate fully if joining online. These arrangements are subject to the decision of Diocesan Synod itself, of course.

For this meeting we need to meet in person because we aren't able to facilitate hybrid meetings of the two houses. This may not be a bad idea anyway for the first meeting of the triennium, but we do recognise that it does mean a long journey for some members.