

How Diocesan Synod works

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Diocesan Synod is a key forum for discussion, debate and consultation about issues relating to the life of the church and society in Cornwall. It is made up of elected lay people and clergy representing the 12 deaneries, together with the bishops.

Synod's cycle of business

February

June

November

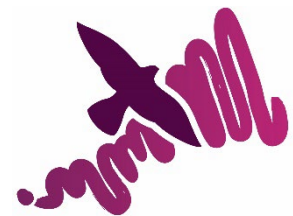
AGM
Annual report &
financial statements
Appoint auditor &
company solicitor

Approval of TDBF
budget

Report from the
DBE

Diocesan Plan for Change & Renewal

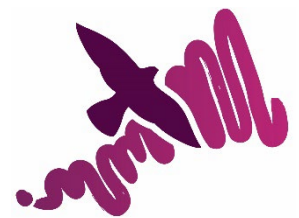
Other reports, General Synod
business, legislation & Safeguarding



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The shape of meetings

- Worship together
- Presidential address
- Formal business from and motions to General Synod
- Reports including Diocesan Board of Education & Safeguarding
- Motions about governance of the diocese
- Items or motions from Deanery Synod
- Discussions
- Presentations
- Strategic decisions



How the agenda is set

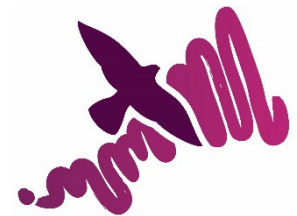


- Cycle of business
- Diocesan strategy and priorities
- National policy and strategy
- Suggestions from members



Bishop's
Diocesan
Council

Notice - 6 weeks before
Agenda - 21 days before



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How members contribute

- Standing Orders
- Speaking and debate
- Asking questions
- Motions and amendments
- Agenda and minutes
- Joining the BDC & committees

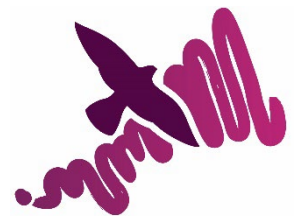


Listen

Reflect

Pray

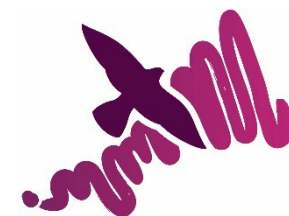
Speak



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Finally...

Don't be afraid to ask!



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