

DIOCESAN SYNOD

13th March 2021



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WELCOME

Carol Smith
Chair of House of Clergy



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VIRTUAL MEETING PROTOCOLS AND NOTICES



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PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS AND CURRENT REFLECTIONS

*Bishop Rose
and
Archbishop Justin*



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- How can we resource mission and ministry in our Diocese?
- Is our present number of buildings sustainable?
- What kind of lay and ordained leadership do we need? How can we train and equip for this ministry?
- What support do our stipendiary clergy need?
- How can we release the whole people of God to be engaged in mission?
- What level of support is needed from the central team?
- Is the central team the right place for these resources to be located?



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GOLDEN THREADS

- A stronger spirit of discernment
- God is asking us to be patient
- God is helping to put our discernment into practice
- God is moving us to engage with each other
- Children and young people: whose voices is God asking us to hear?
- God is showing that we encounter him through relationships
- God is catching our attention through creation – and showing us our need to care for it
- God is helping us to grow as people and disciples
- God is reshaping our priorities
- God has been changing us – and stretching our capacity for change
- God has been turning his Church towards the world



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If they can't afford a priest, maybe they shouldn't have one?

Why should we lose
- or have to share -
our priest?

You're not going
to take our priest
away, are you?

This is not
the time!

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- ...rooted in scripture & drenched in prayer
- ...living gratefully, giving generously, caring for creation & sharing the gospel
- ...growing in number & expectations – of God & ourselves
- ...motivated by justice & love, open to the Spirit & ready for adventure!

Therefore we will...

MAKING OUR VISION A REALITY

- Addressing training needs
- Deepening discipleship
- Developing strong local leadership (lay and ordained)
- Modelling God's generosity
- Engaging in issues of social justice and the created order
- Ensuring that children and young people are at the heart of all we do
- Enabling our deaneries to become centres of ministerial excellence



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We journey together.

We will carry each other when needed.

No one part of the body arrives until we all arrive.

No one will be left behind.



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DEVELOPING OUR STRATEGIC TRANSFORMATION PROGRAMME



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INTRODUCTION

Colin Evans



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DIOCESAN STRATEGIC VISION STATEMENT

Andrew Sewell



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BREAKOUT ROOMS

- How does the Vision grab you?
- Are we hearing what the spirit is saying to the church?

15 Minutes



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FEEDBACK



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FORMAL ENDORSEMENT - VOTE



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THEREFORE, WE WILL

DEANERY MISSION PLANNING KEY THEMES

Jo Kelly-Moore



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KEY THEMES FROM THE DEANERIES

- Ministry – lay and ordained
- The whole people of God
- Children and young people – growing faith
- Innovative thinking about mission
- Partnerships
- Finance
- Buildings
- Generosity
- Change



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OPEN DISCUSSION

- Therefore, we will... what do the themes mean for our life moving forward?
- Are there priorities that the Deanery process might have missed?



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TAKING THE PLAN FORWARD

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WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

When	Who	What
Apr 21	Archbishop's Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review programme plan • Outline what further work they would like to see undertaken
Apr 21 – Aug 21	EST, Area Deans, Lay Chairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Refine plans • Develop detailed project plans
Jun 21	Archbishop's Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive update on Programme plan • Consider bid to Church Commissioners for Strategic Transformation Funding • Receive revised 2021 budget • Consider potential 2022 budget
Jul 21	Diocesan Synod	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive revised 2021 budget • Agree potential 2022 budget
Sep 21	EST	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earliest opportunity for submission of Stage 1 bid to Church Commissioners
Sep 21	Archbishops Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive update on Programme Plan • Receive update on progress with bid for Strategic Transformation Funding

REFRESHMENT BREAK

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PRAYERS

Bishop Rose



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Phil Sibbald
Chair of House of Laity



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APOLOGIES AND NOTICES



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MINUTES
DIOCESAN SYNOD
NOVEMBER 14TH 2020



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MATTERS ARISING



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MINUTES
ARCHBISHOP'S COUNCIL
OCTOBER 1ST 2020



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EXTRAORDINARY ARCHBISHOP'S COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 2ND 2020



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RECRUITMENT PROCESS FOR THE NEW CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF FINANCE



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DBF Chair
Application pack



DIOCESAN SYNOD ELECTIONS 2021



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APPROVAL OF THE DIOCESAN SYNOD CONSTITUTION FOR THE 2021 – 2024 TRIENNIUM AND ELECTION PROCESS



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THE DIOCESE OF CANTERBURY



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THE CONSTITUTION of the CANTERBURY DIOCESAN SYNOD 2021-2024

MEMBERSHIP

THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS

The Archbishop and the Bishop of Dover (2)

THE HOUSE OF CLERGY

Elected Representatives

THE HOUSE OF LAITY

Elected Representatives

Number of Clergy in Deanery Synod	Seats Pro rata*	Change In Seats		Total Electoral Roll Numbers in Deanery	Seats Pro rata*	Change In Seats
12	4	(-1)	Ashford	847	4	(-1)
9	3	(-1)	Dover	652	3	(-)
14	5	(-)	Elham	1249	5	(-1)
11	4	(-1)	Romney & Tenterden	1146	5	(-)
14	5	(-)	Sandwich	984	4	(-1)
23	8	(+1)	Canterbury	998	4	(-)
6	2	(-1)	East Bridge	869	4	(+1)
10	4	(-)	Reculver	947	4	(-)
23	8	(+1)	Thanet	1715	7	(-2)
5	2	(-1)	West Bridge	639	3	(-)
10	4	(-)	Maidstone	842	4	(-)
7	3	(-)	North Downs	771	4	(-)
6	2	(-1)	Ospringe	769	4	(-)
16	6	(-)	Sittingbourne	958	4	(+1)
9	3	(-)	Weald	1143	5	(-)
175	63			14529	64	

Ex-officio:		Ex-officio:	
The Dean	1	The Commissary General	1
The Archdeacon of Ashford	1	The Chairman of the DBF	1
The Archdeacon of Canterbury	1	The Chairman of the DAC	1
The Archdeacon of Maidstone	1		
The Senior Chaplain to the Bishop of Dover	1		
Area Deans of Deaneries	15	Lay Chairs of Deaneries	15
The representatives of the Clergy on General Synod	3	The representatives of the Laity on General Synod	3
	23		21

House of Bishops	2	
House of Clergy	86	
House of Laity	85	
Total membership of Synod	173	

Note: Each House may co-opt 5 people and the Archbishop may nominate up to 10 people, clergy or lay. It is intended to include the Diocesan Framework Chairs if not otherwise represented.

DRAFT ELECTION TIMETABLE

DIOCESAN SYNOD ELECTIONS 2021 – 2024 TRIENNIUM

For approval by Diocesan Synod – Saturday 13 March 2021

Date	
7 Apr	Lay / Clergy electoral lists issued for checking
14 Apr	Return of electoral lists to Diocesan Secretary
30 Apr	Notice of election and nomination papers issued
28 May	Close of nominations
4 Jun	Voting Papers issued
24 Jun	Closing date for voting papers
25 Jun	Election day – Day of count
1 Aug	New Diocesan Synod Triennium begins

SYNOD VOTE



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APPOINTMENT AND ROLE OF LGBT+ CHAPLAIN

Bishop Rose



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PROMULGATION OF AMENDING CANONS NUMBERS 40 AND 41



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ANY OTHER BUSINESS



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THE BLESSING

Archbishop Justin



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