

## 2021 Elections to Diocesan Councils, Boards and Committees

# Nomination Form Bishop's Council & Standing Committee

This nomination form is for those wishing to stand for election to serve on the Bishop's Council & Standing Committee. Those elected serve for three years with effect from 1st January 2022 to 31st December 2024.

### MEETINGS

The Council usually meets six times a year including one residential in the autumn.

### MEMBERSHIP

Chair: The Bishop of Newcastle    Secretary: Canon Shane Waddle

*Ex-officio membership:* The President (the Bishop) of the Diocesan Synod, the Suffragan Bishop, the Clerical Vice-President (Clergy Chair) and the Lay Vice-President (Lay Chair), the Dean, the Archdeacon of Lindisfarne, the Archdeacon of Northumberland, the Chair of the Diocesan Board of Finance and the Chair of the Diocesan Mission & Pastoral Committee (DMPC)

*Elected members:* The following persons elected from among the members of the Diocesan Synod:

- **3 Clergy** (of whom at least one shall be licensed or beneficed in the Archdeaconry of Lindisfarne and of whom at least one shall be licensed or beneficed in the Archdeaconry of Northumberland)
- **6 Laity** (of whom at least one shall reside in the Archdeaconry of Lindisfarne and of whom at least one shall reside in the Archdeaconry of Northumberland)

The Bishop's Council is the Synod's Standing Committee and takes a strategic overview of the life of the Diocese. It develops policy and sets priorities under the direction of the Synod and the Bishop. Its work includes advising on financial and strategic decisions, holding together policy, finance, and deployment of resources within the framework of the Church's mission. The Bishop's Council acts as the Board of Directors of the Diocesan Board of Finance and members are trustees of the Board as a registered charity.

Members of the Bishop's Council need to be people who are keen to work together to develop a strategic vision for the diocese as a whole. The Council requires people with a range of skills and interests, in mission, pastoral organisation and finance.

### **CAN ANYONE ACT AS A CHARITY TRUSTEE?**

No-one under the age of 18 can be appointed either as a charity trustee or as a nominee (except that a person under the age of 18 can be the director of a charitable company). Some people are disqualified by law from acting as charity trustees or nominees, including anyone described in section 178 of the **Charities Act 2011**. This includes:

- anyone who has been convicted of an offence involving deception or dishonesty, unless the conviction is spent;
- anyone who is an undischarged bankrupt;
- anyone who has previously been removed from trusteeship of a charity by the Court or the Commissioners for misconduct or mismanagement; and
- anyone who is under a disqualification order under the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986.

### **CAN ANYONE BE A DIRECTOR?**

- the person must not have been disqualified by a court from acting as a company director (unless he or she has been given leave (permission) to act by a court for a particular company); and
- the person must not be an undischarged bankrupt (except with leave of the court).

**Diocese of Newcastle**

**NOMINATION FORM FOR THE BISHOP'S COUNCIL & STANDING COMMITTEE**

(write clearly in BLOCK CAPITALS)

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (your name) Nominate:

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Title) (Christian Name) (Surname)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Post Code)

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that he/she is eligible to stand, has given his/her consent and that I, as a Member of the Diocesan Synod, am eligible to make this nomination as set out in this paper:**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Post Code)

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**I second the nomination and am eligible to do so:**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Post Code)

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

## Declaration by the nominated candidate

In order to assist the voters, candidates are asked to submit in not more than 100 words, on a separate sheet, information about themselves and why they seek election to the Bishop's Council & Standing Committee (this will be inserted in the voting paper).

I certify that I am willing to stand for election and not disqualified from membership of the Bishop's Council & Standing Committee under section 178 of the Charities Act 2011.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
(Candidate)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Nominations

Return the completed form:

By e-mail to: [elections@newcastle.anglican.org](mailto:elections@newcastle.anglican.org)

By post to: The Diocesan Secretary,  
Church House, St John's Terrace,  
North Shields NE29 6HS  
by **noon on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021.**