



AGENDA

A meeting of the DIOCESAN SYNOD will be held on
SATURDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2023 at 10.00AM

[St Peter's, Battersea](#)

If you have any questions, queries, or clarifications prior to the meeting, which are not formal Questions for answer, please notify Charles Hudson-Beddows in advance of the meeting.

10:00	20/23	WELCOME & OPENING PRAYER
10:05	21/23	ANNOUNCEMENT & NOTICES
10:10	22/23	PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS
10:25	23/23	PROMULGATION AMENDING CANON NO. 42
10.30	24/23	SEE OF WOOLWICH
10:45	25/23	DIOCESAN BOARD OF EDUCATION PRESENTATION
11:15	COFFEE BREAK	
11:45	26/23*	<p>ANNUAL OBJECTIVES</p> <p>Presentation by the Diocesan Secretary and Deputy Diocesan Secretary and moved by the Bishop of Southwark that:</p> <p><i>“THIS SYNOD endorses the Annual Objectives for 2024 as recommended by the Diocesan Council of Trustees.”</i></p>
12:00	27/23*	<p>2024 BUDGET APPROVAL</p> <p>Presentation by the Chair of the Diocesan Board of Finance with the Diocesan Secretary and Mark Rhodes, the Director of Finance.</p> <p>The Chair of the DBF to move that the consolidated budget for 2024 now be considered and that:</p> <p><i>“THIS SYNOD approves the total budget expenditure of £27,852,306 which is based on total budgeted income of £27,680,181.”</i></p>

12:20	28/23*	ELECTION TO DIOCESAN SYNOD The Chair of the House of Laity to move that: <i>“THIS SYNOD will take note of the Diocesan Secretary’s evaluation of membership for the 2024 triennium prior to certifying, to Deanery Secretaries, their allocation of seats formally by the end of December 2023, including the revised formula of one in 450 (min two) in order to maintain the appropriate balance of the Houses of Laity and Clergy.”</i>
12:30		THIS TIME TOMORROW
12:40		EUCHARIST & COMMISSIONING
13:10	LUNCH	
13:45	29/23	SOUTHWARK VISION The Bishop of Southwark to move that: <i>“THIS SYNOD approves and endorses ‘Southwark Vision 2024-2035’, setting out our priorities as a basis for the objectives of the Diocese, and the outcomes we seek, and requests the Diocesan Secretary to begin implementation with regular reports to the Diocesan Council of Trustees and the Diocesan Synod.”</i>
14:30	30/23	GENERAL SYNOD UPDATE
14:45	31/23	FORMAL QUESTIONS
15:00		THE GRACE AND DEPART

Please note:

1. Questions on Reports or the work of the Synod will be answered at the Synod, provided that they are submitted in writing to the Diocesan Secretary at least seven days prior to the Synod. **Before sending in questions, please refer to the Standing Orders (paragraphs 61 - 64).**
2. Members are requested to take notes and report back to the deaneries they represent.
3. It is helpful if amendments to motions are submitted in writing and received by the Secretary seven days prior to the debate.
4. Only members called upon by the Chair may address the Synod. Members are encouraged to keep their contributions short. The Chair may announce a time limit on speeches at any time.
5. If a member of Synod wishes to speak in debate, then a note to the Secretary in advance will alert the Chair to the member's wish. It may not be possible to call every speaker, but if a number of such notes are received the Chair can limit the length of contributions to ensure that a wide range of opinions are heard in debate.
6. In order to enable Synod to function effectively, at certain times in proceedings, it will be appropriate for the Diocesan Secretary and other Diocesan officers to address Synod (by invitation of the President and permission of the Chair) but without the right to move any motion or amendment or to vote. Contributions from the Diocesan Secretary and Diocesan officers may include formal presentations and points of clarity and factual accuracy.