

**OXFORD DIOCESAN SYNOD**  
**Diocesan Synod Agenda**  
**Saturday 12 March 2022**

This meeting will be held via zoom. *Details of how to join can be found in the email sent to all Diocesan Synod members on 18 February 2022.*

*Please ensure you pay close attention to the notes contained at the end of the agenda.*

Item No.	Time	Item	Mins
	09.15	<b>Welcome and Opening Worship</b> <b>Dwelling in the Word</b>	20
1.	09:35	<b>Notices</b>	10
2.	09:40	<b>Approval of Minutes</b> of meeting held on 13 November 2021  <b>Questions under S.O(70)</b> a written response will be available if questions are received.	5
3.	09:45	<b>Presidential Address and response</b> The Rt Revd Dr Steven Croft, Bishop of Oxford	25
4.	10:10	<b>Discipleship</b> There will be a presentation led by the Revd Tina Molyneux, Head of Discipleship and Social Justice, followed by a short time to share with one another in small groups, and for any questions and comments in plenary <i>Paper ODS 22.01</i>	25
5.	10.35	<b>Christ Church, Oxford</b> <b>Update by the Bishop of Oxford</b> <b>Annual Report of Christ Church Cathedral introduced by the Sub-Dean</b> There will be an opportunity for questions <i>Paper ODS 22.02</i>	25
	11.00	<b>COFFEE BREAK</b>	15
6.	11.15	<b>Living in Love and Faith: an update and listening exercise</b> The LLF Advocates will report to Synod on national and local engagement with the LLF process. There will be an opportunity for Synod members to reflect on how we can deepen engagement, on the experiences and insights we each bring to the LLF process and our hopes and fears. This careful listening will be in facilitated small groups and followed by a plenary for responses and questions. <i>Paper ODS 22.03</i>	80
7.	12.35	<b>Financial Year End results of the Oxford Diocesan Board of Finance</b> (Verbal) Sir Hector Sants, Chair of the Board of Finance, will give a verbal update on the financial outturn for the year-ended 31 December 2021  There will be a brief opportunity for questions.	10

8.	12.45	<b>General Synod Update</b> The Rt Revd Olivia Graham, Bishop of Reading, a member of the General Synod, will give an update on proceedings from the November 2021 and February 2022 Group of Sessions	5
9.	12.50	<b>Reflection</b> Mrs Sue Scott  <b>Closing Blessing</b> (Bishop of Oxford)	10
	13.00	Close	

<b>NOTES:</b>	
1.	Any apologies for absence should be made in advance of the meeting to the Diocesan Secretary via <a href="mailto:synodclerk@oxford.anglican.org">synodclerk@oxford.anglican.org</a>
2.	<b>Joining details</b> Zoom information was sent in the letter to all Diocesan Synod members on 18 February 2022.
3.	The attention of members is drawn to the fact that under the Synod's Standing Orders: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) the period of notice for new business has expired, save for urgent or other especially important business included by direction of the President;</li> <li>b) notice of motions arising out of the business on the agenda and of amendments to motions must be received by the Secretary of the Synod (the Diocesan Secretary) <b>by Friday 4 March 2022.</b></li> <li>c) notice of questions under Standing Order 70 must be received by the Secretary of the Synod by <b>Friday 4 March 2022.</b></li> </ul> <p>Email: <a href="mailto:diosec@oxford.anglican.org">diosec@oxford.anglican.org</a> copied to <a href="mailto:synodclerk@oxford.anglican.org">synodclerk@oxford.anglican.org</a>. Please ensure your question has been acknowledged as received safely.</p>
4.	Being mindful that this is a formal gathering of the Synod and Standing Orders apply, when wishing to speak, members are asked to raise their hand using the 'raise hand' function button and give their name and number if known, or Deanery or relevant position. The Chair will invite members to speak in order and determine length of speech.
	During the meeting, following consultation and in line with the majority view of Synod members who responded, the 'chat' function will be available to communicate if needed with 'Diocese of Oxford' on procedural or technical matters but not more generally.
	Only Synod members are permitted to speak except by permission of the Chair. Members will be kept on mute except when invited to speak and are asked to keep contributions brief to maximise the number of people who can speak.

### Diocesan Synod – Future meeting dates

Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	St James Church Centre, Gerrards Cross (0915-1315)
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2022	Zoom (0915-1300)
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	On site (venue and timing to be decided)
Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	Zoom (0915-1300)
Saturday 18 <sup>th</sup> November 2023	Zoom (0915-1300)