

**Diocese of Oxford Synod**

**Vacancy in See Committee 2025- 2027**

**Candidate's Statement**

<b>Name of Candidate</b>	<b>The Reverend Gareth Ernest Lane</b>
Beneficed or licensed to	Aylesbury
Archdeaconry	Buckingham

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A candidate may set out in **no more than 100 words** a statement about themselves and why they are standing for election for circulation with the voting papers (and publication on the diocesan website). Please note, this is entirely optional. The Presiding Officer reserves the right to remove any material which might reasonably be considered defamatory or unlawful.

I love Jesus, and am passionate about sharing the gospel. In 2014, my family and I started a new church in Aylesbury's Berryfields estate, which has since grown to over 130 members, reflecting the young, vibrant multicultural community. I focus us on staying biblically grounded while engaging with the community through our foodbank and as a CAP budgeting coach. I also currently serve as an MDR reviewer, school chaplain, co-chair the Aylesbury Churches Network, a member of Buckinghamshire's Interfaiths Forum and a local Parish Councilor. I believe I can contribute meaningfully to the VISC in discerning our next Bishop.

*100 word limit applies*