

**Diocese of Oxford Synod**

**Vacancy in See Committee 2025- 2027**

**Candidate's Statement**

<b>Name of Candidate</b>	<b>Dr Caroline Manders</b>
Member of the Electoral Roll of	Marcham All Saints
Archdeaconry	Dorchester

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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 was brought up in Reading in a liberal Anglo-Catholic tradition. I have since served on Deanery Synod (Newcastle), as church warden and leader of youth groups (Biggleswade), and on a lay ministry team (Evesham). I am now a lay representative on Abingdon Deanery Synod and a leader in the children's and families' team at Greenbelt Festival. I am a senior lecturer in the School of Agriculture (Reading University) and have also lived and worked in Nepal. I would like to serve on this committee to bring my experience of working with people from different backgrounds, cultures and mindsets.

*100 word limit applies*