

Diocese of Oxford Synod

Vacancy in See Committee 2025- 2027

Candidate's Statement

Name of Candidate	The Revd (John) Gareth Miller
Beneficed or licensed to	Benefice of Akeman and Area Dean of Bicester and Islip
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 have lived and worked in the diocese for thirty years.

I do not have a particular platform – I trained at evangelical colleges (at Durham and Cambridge) but am by background and inclination more of a liberal catholic. I would hope to be a voice for mainstream, thoughtful and generous Anglicanism.

I have a profound love for the Church of England, with all its idiosyncrasies and inconsistencies, and long for its growth and renewal in theology, pastoral care, and imaginative liturgy. I'd be looking for a bishop who is strong in these areas, and more interested in people than plans.

100 word limit applies