

SYNOD RESOLUTIONS AND ACTIONS

THIRD SESSION OF THE FORTY SIXTH SYNOD

7 – 9 September 2018
Goulburn, NSW

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – 2.33pm

2. **PRAYERS**

The Synod observed a minute's silence to remember Rev'd Susan Joy Nevile, Household of Deacons, of the parish of Jamison and Margaret McNeill (Honorary Lay Canon of St Saviour Cathedral, member of the Third Order of the Society of St Francis and parish synod member) of the parish of Holbrook, who died last week.

3. **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

The Chancellor moved that items 4.1, 4.2, 5, 6.1, 6.2, 6.3 and 6.4 be taken together. (CARRIED)

4. **PAPERS TO BE LAID UPON THE TABLE**

4.1 List of clergy summoned to Synod

4.2 List of lay representatives summoned to Synod

Mover: The Registrar (CARRIED)

5. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

The list of apologies received was laid on the table

Mover: The Registrar (CARRIED)

6. **OFFICERS, ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF AND COMMITTEES OF SYNOD**

The officers of Synod appointed at the first session in October 2017 were noted as follows.

6.1 **Officers of Synod**

Mr Greg Mills	Chair of Committees
Reverend Canon Gillian Varcoe	Deputy Chair of Committees
Revd Canon Margaret Campbell	Clerical Secretary
Reverend Katherine Rainger	Assistant Clerical Secretary
Mr Wayne Harris	Lay Secretary
Mr Tim McGhie	Assistant Lay Secretary
Mr Roger Rankin	Manager of Synod Elections
Ms Gail Pinney	Elections Assistant

6.2 **Minutes Scrutiny Committee**

Mr Matthew Stuckings	Minutes Scrutineer
Ms Helen Rainger	Minutes Scrutineer
Revd Yvonne Gunning	Minutes Scrutineer

6.3 **Synod Administrative Staff**

Motion: That the Synod appoint the following persons to be the staff of the Synod with approval to be on the floor of the house for administrative purposes:

Ms Emma Body
Ms Alison Payne

Ms Sue O'Brien
Ms Gaynor Elder
Ms Heather Walsh
Mr Paul Brand
Mrs Fran Rankin
Ms Maria Myer
Mr Andrew Guile
Mr Robert Wallace
Mr Vince Dove

Mover: The Registrar (CARRIED)

6.4 Guests

Motion: That this Synod welcome the following guests and grant approval for them to be on the floor of the House with permission to speak:

- Revd Peter Barnett (Professional Standards Director) for the Friday and Saturday sittings.
- Mr Adam Wright (AIDF Relationship Manager) for the Friday, Saturday and Sunday sittings;
- Ms Gillian King (Member of the Public Issues Commission) for the Saturday sitting; and
- Mr Andrew Edwards (Director, Synergy Youth and Children) for the Sunday sitting.

Mover: The Registrar (CARRIED)

6.5 Business Advisory Committee

The Registrar sought leave to introduce the following (6.5) in amended form.

(CARRIED)

Motion: That this Synod note that the President has appointed the Committee that:

- (a) advises the President as to the order in which notices of motion are to be placed on the business paper (standing order 31.3); and
- (b) considers motions received during Synod and referred to it by the President (standing order 32).

The committee comprises:

The Chancellor

The Registrar

Two members of Synod appointed by the President:

Ven. Dr Brian Douglas and Mrs Margaret Wheelwright

Mover: The Registrar (CARRIED)

The Chancellor sought leave of Synod to take items 7 and 8 together.

(CARRIED)

7. ORDER OF BUSINESS

7.1 **Motion:** That this Synod agrees to suspend so much of standing orders as would enable the following orders of business to occur:

Time	Sitting Day	Business Item	Presenter/s
3.00pm	First Day	Presidential Address	Bishop Trevor Edwards
4.45pm	First Day	Presentation: Anglican Investment and Development Fund (AIDF)	Mr Mark Brandon-Baker
9.00am	Second Day	Synod to move into conference Presentation: Episcopal Election Nominations Committee	Ven David Ruthven and EENC members
10.30am	Second Day	Presentation: Public Issues Commission	Bishop Stephen Pickard and members of the PIC
12.00pm	Second Day	Presentation: Senior Clergy / Ministry units	TBC
2.00pm	Second Day	Presentation: National Redress Scheme / Professional Standards	Revd Peter Barnett (Professional Standards Director)
2.30pm	Second Day	Presentation: Anglicare NSW South, NSW West and ACT	Mr Jeremy Halcrow
5.00pm	Second Day	Presentation: Anglican Schools Commission of the Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn	Mr David Holmesby
10.15am	Third Day	Presentation: St Mark's National Theological Centre	Revd Dr Andrew Cameron
10.30am	Third Day	Presentation: Canberra Grammar School (CGS)	Dr Justin Garrick
11.45pm	Third Day	Presentation: Synergy Youth & Children's Ministry	Mr Andrew Edwards

Mover: The Registrar
(CARRIED)

8. REPORTS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS REQUIRED TO BE LAID UPON THE TABLE

8.1 Reports required under Standing Order 28

- (a) Bishop-in-Council Report
- (b) List of Ordinances made by the Bishop-in-Council since the last ordinary session of Synod
- (c) Anglican Church Property Trust Report
- (d) Annual Accounts for 2017
- (e) 2018 Financial Forecast
- (f) 2019 Budget Paper

Mover: The Registrar
(CARRIED)

8.2 Reports required by Synod

Report on action taken on the October 2017 resolutions (see page 23) and March 2018 resolutions (see page 42)

Mover: The Registrar
(CARRIED)

8.3 Audited Accounts – Diocesan Company Schools

The respective Constitutions of the following schools require that their annual accounts be tabled at Synod and these are now included as part of the Schools' Reports:

- (a) Canberra Girls Grammar School Ltd
- (b) Canberra Grammar School Ltd
- (c) Radford College Ltd

Mover: The Registrar
(CARRIED)

BC/1 – Bishop-in-Council Report

The BiC Report included presentations by the following:

- The Registrar (BiC report and ADS overview)
- The Rev'd James Coats: sustaining ministry in Holbrook
- The Rev'd Canon Paul Black: sustaining mission in central Canberra
- The Rev'd Dr Ian Coutts: disaster recovery services/ Anglicare
- The Rev'd Captain Stuart Haynes: Anglican response to the Tathra bushfires
- Kenneth Wheelwright: the spiritual challenges to faith in drought

Motion: That this Synod note the work of Bishop-in-Council since the last session of Synod that rose on 8 October 2017.

Mover: The Registrar
(CARRIED)

BC/2 - 2017 Accounts

Motion: That this Synod note the 2017 Accounts of the Diocese tabled in accordance with Standing Order 28.1(d).

Mover: Chair of the Finance Committee
(CARRIED)

BC/3 - Financial Forecast 2018, 2019 Budget and Parish Contribution Rate for 2019

Motion: That this Synod:

- (a) Receive the following reports:
 - (i) The "2018 Finance Committee Synod Report" that contains the commentary on the 2017 accounts and the Financial Forecast for 2018; and
 - (ii) The 2019 budget paper required to be tabled under Standing Order 28.1(e);

- (b) Determine that the parish contribution to the work of the Diocese in 2019 will be 12% of income received by parishes in 2017 and an additional 1% of income received by parishes for youth work in the Diocese; and
- (c) Note that the Finance Committee will continue to review the financial matters of the Diocese as per 5.4(c) of the Finance and Annual Reports Ordinance.

Mover: Chair of the Finance Committee
(CARRIED)

BC/4 - Anglican Church Property Trust

Motion: That this Synod receive the Report of the Anglican Church Property Trust, Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn.

Mover: Ms Fiona Kotvojs
(CARRIED)

BC/5 - Reception of Reports

Motion: That this Synod receive the following Reports

- All Saints College, Ainslie
- Anglican Church Property Trust
- Anglican Diocesan Services (ADS)
- Anglican Historical Society
- Anglican Investment and Development Fund (AIDF)
- Anglican Women of Australia
- Anglicare NSW South, NSW West & ACT
- Audit and Risk Management Committee
- Bishop-in-Council
 - BiC - Anglican Schools Commission CG
 - BiC - Finance Committee Report
 - BiC - Property Development Commission (in BiC Report)
 - BiC - Public Issues Commission
- Burgmann Anglican School
- Canberra Girls Grammar School
- Canberra Grammar School
- Diaconate
- Ministry Training and Development
- Mothers' Union Australia
- Pelican Foundation
- Professional Standards
- Radford College
- South Coast Anglican Schools
 - Sapphire Coast Anglican College
 - St Peter's Anglican College
- St Mark's National Theological Centre
- St Martin's College
- Synergy Youth and Children

- The Anglican School Googong (TASG)
- The Riverina Anglican College (TRAC)
- Wambiri/Manna Park (in ADS Report)

Mover: The Registrar
(CARRIED)

CONFERENCE MOTION for EENC presentation

Motion: That Synod move into Conference, for 1 hour and 15 minutes, in accordance with Part 4 of the Standing Orders in order for members to hear a detailed presentation from the EENC encompassing:

- 1) An introduction and report on work undertaken to date (Where have we been?)
- 2) Where are we heading? (Sep-Nov)
- 3) Following this, to divide into small discussion groups under the direction of the President to reflect on the Episcopal Selection Criteria.
- 4) To provide information on the Electoral Synod processes/procedures;
- 5) To allow a time for questions; and
- 6) To have a time of prayer.

Mover: The Registrar
(CARRIED)

BC/6 (PIC) – A Peaceful and Gracious Death

Motion: That this Synod:

1. Receives the paper 'A Peaceful and Gracious Death' (attached) authored by Rev'd Dr Sallyanne Hart;
2. Notes that this paper has been produced by the Public Issues Commission in response to Motion NM/16 from the first session of the 46th Synod October 2017.
3. Commends the paper as a basis for sharing and discussion in parishes, to be distributed in conjunction with the speech given by the Revd Dr Sallyanne Hart in introducing the motion.

Amendment moved by: Revd James Coats (Holbrook)
Seconded: Kelly Cathcart (Holbrook)
(CARRIED)

Mover: Rev'd Dr Sallyanne Hart (Taralga/St Saviour's Cathedral)
Seconded: Ven Dr Wayne Brighton (Ex-officio; Chaplaincies/Jamison/Basement)

(CARRIED)

BC/7 (PIC) – Erosion of Compassion

Ven. Dr Wayne Brighton sought leave to bring BC/7 in an amended form. (*Leave granted*).

Motion: The Anglican Church of Australia covers a broad section of the community. It is observed that current Federal leaders are preoccupied with internal matters and disconnected from the communities they represent. Consequently, this Synod:

1. affirms the Christian values of kindness, compassion and the intrinsic value of each person;
2. laments that kindness, compassion and treating people with dignity are being eroded in our society, as we see, for example, in:
 - a. treatment of some asylum seekers and refugees resulting in significant physical and mental health problems and the separation of families;
 - b. persistent inequality and the winding back of income safety nets;
 - c. fear-mongering and division, instead of on fostering social harmony and unity; and
 - d. policies that undermine the capacity of charities to speak out against wrongs;
3. asks the Vicar General to write to the leaders of all parties currently represented in the Commonwealth, New South Wales, and the Australian Capital Territory parliaments advising them of 1 and 2 and asking them to have kindness, compassion and the innate dignity of each person guide their policies, decision-making, and behaviour;
4. asks the Public Issues Commission to produce a series of conversation resources, along the lines of 'Being Christ's Body', on Christian attitudes to issues such as the above.

Mover: Ven Dr Wayne Brighton (Ex-officio, Holy Covenant Jamison)

Seconder: Rt Rev'd Professor Stephen Pickard (Ex-officio/ACCC)

* *As this is to be brought to the attention of Government, a Synod count was required:*

Present:	186
For:	171
Against:	1
Abstain:	14

(CARRIED in amended form).

BC/8 (PIC) – Changing Climate

Bishop Stephen Pickard sought leave to bring the motion to Synod in an amended form. *(Leave granted).*

Motion: That this Synod:

1. notes that the changing climate, with the disrupted weather patterns and rising sea levels, is impacting the frequency and intensity of problems, including extreme weather, drought, bushfires, storms and floods, economic difficulties, and increasing problems with mental and physical health; and that the most vulnerable are at most risk;
2. mourns the changes we observe and expect in our natural world and life as we know it

3. acknowledges the sorrow, distress, suffering, losses, and hardship that these changes are causing;
4. celebrates that, during times of great challenge or transformation, our religious tradition and faith communities have been and continue to be important sources of inspiration and support;
5. encourages parishes and ministry units to draw on courage, hope, wisdom and spiritual reflection and demonstrate the love of God and care for creation by working with their communities to:
 - a. prepare for and deal with the impacts from our changing climate and associated grief and emergencies; and
 - b. build greater resilience to these impacts;
6. asks the Public Issues Commission to publicise resources to Diocesan ministry units that may help with this work.

Mover: Rt Rev'd Professor Stephen Pickard (Ex-officio/ACCC)

Secunder: Ms Katy Nicholls (Charnwood)

(CARRIED)

BC/9 (PIC) – Acknowledgement of Aboriginal Peoples

Ven. Dr Wayne Brighton sought leave to bring the motion to Synod in an amended form. (*Leave granted*).

Motion: That this Synod recognises that 2020 will be the 250th Anniversary of Cook's claiming of the lands of this Diocese in the name of the King. This presumed sovereignty has led to a profound and ongoing experience of dispossession, trauma, grief, and disadvantage for the traditional owners of this country we now call Australia.

In light of this:

1. encourages parishes to study the Uluru Statement (readable at <https://www.clc.org.au/files/pdf/Uluru-Statement-3.pdf>) and to consider, in the light of the Government's rejection of the Statement, whether individuals may wish to raise the issue with their local Member of Parliament;
2. encourages parishes to include in their entry signage a simple statement such as 'We acknowledge that this church building rests on Aboriginal land' or, where the local Aboriginal group is clearly identifiable, an acknowledgement that includes the name of that group instead of the blanket term 'Aboriginal';
3. asks the Public Issues Commission to prepare some liturgical materials (such as the Lord's Prayer) in some of the Aboriginal languages of the Diocese.

Mover: Ven Dr Wayne Brighton (Ex-officio; Chaplaincy/ Jamison/ Basement)

Secunder: Rt Rev'd Professor Stephen Pickard (Ex-officio/ACCC)

(CARRIED in amended form)

BC/10 (PIC) – Inequality

Motion: That this Synod:

1. affirms that when we pray ‘your Kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven’, this is not only a personal prayer but a prayer for our world because:
 - a. we believe each human being is made in God’s image and likeness;
 - b. we pray that we may ‘share with justice the resources of the earth’; and
 - c. the Bible reminds us that how we treat the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, and the prisoner is how we treat Christ himself;
2. responds to God’s call for us to protect and seek justice for those who are poor and vulnerable;
3. requests the Vicar-General write to the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition asking them to:
 - a. give renewed priority to reducing poverty for the ~~growing~~ persistent number of Australians who are deprived of the basic opportunities, resources and amenities required to participate in society and to afford the basic necessities;
 - b. end political commentary that seeks to scapegoat groups of immigrants and refugees in our community and immediately end the disgraceful treatment of ~~refuges~~ refugees and asylum seekers on Nauru that shames our nation;
 - c. increase the real rate of unemployment payment (Newstart Allowance), which has not been increased for two decades and leaves more than 750,000 Australians struggling to pay for essentials;
 - d. join in a public discussion on a universal basic income in recognition of the persistent high levels of youth unemployment (three times the average), the lack of entry level jobs where ~~your~~ young people can gain experience, and the increasing use of automation in the workplace;
 - e. act to protect workers from exploitation in the so-called ‘gig’ economy where digital platforms support flexible work arrangements that often see the workers lose their protections including basic legislated minimum wages, workers compensation and superannuation.

This motion then to be sent to the media.

Mover: Rev’d Dr Ian Coutts (Anglicare/St Mark’s NTC)

Secunder: Ven Dr Wayne Brighton (Ex-officio; Chaplaincy/Jamison/ Basement)

** Brought in an amended form (leave granted by Synod) in 3a. ~~growing~~ persistent and This motion then to be sent to the media.*

** As this is to be brought to the attention of Government, a Synod count was required:*

Present:	217
For:	171
Against:	26
Abstain:	20

(CARRIED in amended form)

NM/1 St Mark's National Theological Centre

Motion: This Synod:

- (i) affirms the foundational role of St Mark's National Theological Centre in lay and ordained training and formation for Anglican Christian ministry in the Diocese;
- (ii) affirms the Centre's role in public Christian witness to the common good, and encourages the Council and Director of St Mark's to continue and extend that witness;
- (iii) encourages the development of courses in vocational and higher education to equip lay and ordained persons for Christian mission in homes, workplaces and churches;
- (iv) endorses the consideration of all Ministry Units, Agencies and Members of the Diocese to make contributions, donations and bequests to the Centre's *Ministry Future Fund* as a means to share in the ministry formation of future generations; and
- (v) affirms the importance of providing adequate funding for the training of future Diocesan clergy and laity, and
- (vi) requests the Bishop in Council to consult with the Council of St Mark's on a program to restore funding for the ministry training services provided to the Diocese by St Mark's, as budget priorities allow.

Amendment moved by: Robert Arthur (Section 49.2 BiC appointment)

Seconded: Revd Canon Gillian Varcoe (F5 Refresh Ministries)

(CARRIED)

Mover: Revd Canon Patrick Cole (Hawker Parish)

Secunder: Bishop Stephen Pickard (Ex-officio)

(CARRIED in amended form)

NM/2 Anne Coutts and the Rev Dr Ian Coutts

Motion: That this Synod notes the election of the Rev'd Dr Ian Coutts as Bishop of Bunbury and gives thanks to God for the significant leadership and ministry and faithful personal witness to our Lord Jesus Christ of both Ian and Anne Coutts in this Diocese;

- Anne for her leadership as Principal at Canberra Girls Grammar School for nearly eight years. In that time, Anne has contributed to the design and construction of the state of the art Science wing and the newly opened multi-purpose lakeside Yhuuramulum building; the founding and championing of the CGGS Music Academy; the roll out of fantastic leadership programs for Years 5, 7 and 9; the broadening of the co-curricular and sports programs and the expansion of the award winning Early Learning Centre for the 2019 academic year.
- Ian for his ministry as:
 - lecturer with the Charles Sturt University School of Theology and as trainer and coordinator of ministry formation with St Mark's Registered Training Organisation; and
 - for his significant contribution to Anglicare most recently as General Manager for Mission including his passion for Indigenous reconciliation, expertise in child protection policy development; development of staff values formation programs; pastoral care of staff and oversight of the

growth of Anglicare's community service partnerships with parishes in this Diocese as well as the Dioceses of Riverina and Bathurst.

Synod wishes them every blessing and God's grace as they leave Canberra to serve as leaders in the Diocese of Bunbury.

Amendment moved by: Revd Canon Patrick Cole (Hawker)

Seconded: Robert Nairn (Hawker)
(CARRIED)

Mover: Jeremy Halcrow (CEO, Anglicare)

Seconded: Belinda Moss (Chair, CGGS Board)

(CARRIED on acclamation)

NM/3 – 100th Anniversary of end of World War One

Motion: This Synod recognises the ending of World War One, one hundred years ago, this year. Lamenting the great tragedy of war, we declare our hope in the Kingdom of God's Son to bring about eternal justice and peace.

This Synod also acknowledges the self-sacrifice of clergy and lay members of this Diocese who served during that dreadful conflict.

Furthermore, this Synod encourages parishioners to gather in St Saviour's Cathedral Goulburn, on 13 October 2018, to remember and give thanks for all who have served in times of conflict on behalf of our nation.

Mover: Rev'd Canon Kevin Stone (St John's Canberra (Reid); St Saviour's Cathedral)

Seconded: Rev'd David McLennan (St Mary in the Valley, South Tuggeranong)

NM/4 – Withdrawn

NM/5 National Redress Scheme

Motion: That this Synod endorses the unanimous decision of Bishop-in-Council resolving to participate in the National Redress Scheme for Institutional Child Sexual Abuse via the Anglican Participating Group – Anglican Representative National Redress Scheme Limited - and urges Bishop-in Council to take the appropriate steps to do so, as soon as reasonably practicable, including careful consideration of which diocesan entities should participate in this way and how it is to be done.

Mover: Richard Refshauge (Chancellor)

Seconded: Rev'd Canon Gillian Varcoe (F5 Refresh Ministries Chaplaincy Unit)

(CARRIED)

NM/6 Anglican Women

Motion: That this Synod:

1. Notes with sadness the cessation of the ministry of Anglican Women in the Diocese of Canberra –Goulburn.
2. Commends all the women who have participated in this ministry.
3. Acknowledges the ways in which the ministry of Anglican Women has enriched the lives of those involved in and with this ministry.
4. Thanks Anglican women for their contribution to the life of our Diocese.

Mover: Tim McGhie (ex officio)

Second: Trevor Ament (ex officio)

(CARRIED)

NM/7 Supplementary motion on Climate Change

Mr Robert Buchanan sought leave to bring the following motion in an amended form. (*Leave granted*).

Motion: That this Synod, in the context set out in the motion BC/8 – Changing Climate:

1. notes that there is an overwhelming scientific consensus that global warming is exacerbated by the continued emission of greenhouse gases, primarily carbon dioxide and methane, into the atmosphere;
2. considers that, in view of the long time-lags involved, there is an urgent need for all nations, jurisdictions, organisations and people to take action to further reduce such emissions;
3. asks the Public Issues Commission to prepare a motion for a future session of the Synod, asking the Bishop to write to the leaders of all parties represented in the Commonwealth, New South Wales, and the Australian Capital Territory parliaments advising them of 1 and 2 above and asking them to implement and support such action.

Mover: Mr Robert Buchanan (St Saviour's Cathedral)

Second: Ms Helen Rainger (St Saviour's Cathedral)

(CARRIED in amended form).

NM/8 Cycle of Prayer

Motion: That this Synod asks our Bishops and Bishop in Council to review and develop the use of our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer with reference to the following points

- The value of regular and specific public prayer and its place in forming the attitudes and values of congregational members.
- Whether it is appropriate to use this cycle of prayer to pray predominantly for Anglican ministries and ministers.
- How a regular cycle of prayer for our diocesan congregations could be used to promote unity among all Christian churches and include local communities beyond the church.
- How our current cycle of prayer could be simplified so that it is a less of an administrative burden

Mover: Rev Judy Douglas (St James Holt)

Second: Ms Jane Craig (St James Holt)

(CARRIED)

NM/9 Campsites

Motion: That this Synod:

- acknowledges the important spiritual, social, environmental and heritage value of our diocesan campsites at Wambiri in Tathra and at Manna Park in Bournda.
- gives thanks to God for the provision of these valuable and beautiful places that foster recreation, community building and spiritual connection.
- requires that any redevelopment of these sites be subject to a period of consultation with stakeholders including Synergy Youth as well as youth and youth leaders from our diocese with a view to retaining significant aspects of design that foster community & faith development and are in keeping with preserving the natural and social environment.

Mover: Rev Judy Douglas (St James Holt)

Second: Rev Doug Newman (Bateman's Bay)

(CARRIED)

NM/10 Condolence Archbishop Robinson

Motion: That this Synod notes with sadness the death of Archbishop Donald Robinson, former Archbishop of Sydney and Metropolitan of the Province of New South Wales. This synod celebrates his support to this diocese over the time he was its Metropolitan, his wise and pastoral contribution to the national church, especially in the preparation and adoption of the 1978 An Australian Prayer Book and his substantial personal Christian witness and requests the Registrar to communicate this Synod's condolences to the Archbishop's family.

Mover: Richard Refshauge (Chancellor)

Second: Tim McGhie (Chair, Finance Committee)

(CARRIED by acclaim)

MOTION OF THANKS (The Registrar)

Mr President, I would like to take this opportunity to move a motion of thanks to all those involved with the preparation of this year's Synod:

The Goulburn Workers Club:

To **Keisha Northey**, the Functions Manager and the staff at the GWC for their assistance with the arrangements for our Synod; and

To the **President and Board of the Goulburn Workers' Club** for their generosity in providing the venue.

Those who assisted with the Audio Visual, Sound and IT setup:

David Greig and his staff from Greig's Electronics;

Vince Dove and the ADS ICT staff; and

Paul and Andrew on the sound desk and Alison – our photographer.

The Dean and the Cathedral Staff: For their work in co-ordinating the Synod services; and

The **Cathedral Choir** for its participation at the Friday evening service at the Cathedral.

The **Chancellor**, Richard Refshauge for your work over the weekend – it is great to have you back! Thanks also to **the Legal Committee** - Rupert Hammond, Tony Beal, Anne McNaughton and Darryn Jensen for their work throughout the year.

To the Synod Secretaries, Wayne, Tim, Canon Margaret and Revd Katherine for all your work over the weekend.

The Chair and Deputy Chair of Committees – Mr Greg Mills and Canon Gill Varcoe – and the **Minutes Scrutineers** who checked the Synod minutes each evening.

The **Manager of Synod Elections** – Mr Roger Rankin, assisted by Gail Pinney, Fran Rankin, Heather Walsh and Sue O'Brien.

The **Chaplain**, Archdeacon Caroline Campbell for leading us in prayer each day and to **Bishop Stephen Pickard** for leading the Bible Studies on Saturday and Sunday morning.

To the ADS Team for all their hard work in the lead up to Synod and over this weekend – Particularly Emma, Sue, Alison and Gaynor. Thank you also to all the other Synod staff members who have assisted over the weekend.

The Assistant Bishop, the Archdeacons and Ms Bev Forbes for all their work.

The President, Bishop Trevor – for all that you have done, are doing and will do in this time of transition.

Finally I thank all **Synod members** called to debate, consider and decide on issues which will direct the course of the Diocese over the next year.

Mover: The Registrar

ORDINANCES (The Chancellor)

SYNOD (DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS) AMENDMENT ORDINANCE 2018

Motion: *That the SYNOD (DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS) AMENDMENT ORDINANCE 2018 be approved in principle.*

Mover: *The Chancellor*
(CARRIED)

No amendments were proposed.

Motion: *That the Synod agrees to the Ordinance without amendment.*

Mover: *The Chancellor*
(CARRIED). *The Bishop assented to the Bill*

SYNOD ELECTIONS

General Synod:

The Right Revd Dr Stephen Kim Pickard and Revd James Coats were elected as clerical members of General Synod.

Clergy Appointment Board (Diocesan Panel)

Revd Tracey Matthews was elected unopposed as a clerical member of the Clergy Appointment Board (Diocesan Panel)

Provincial Synod

Revd James Coats was elected unopposed as a clerical member of Provincial Synod.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: That the Synod do now adjourn until the date on which it is next summoned by the Bishop.

Mover: The Chancellor

(CARRIED)

1.00pm Synod adjourned