

Agenda for the 98th meeting of the Synod to be held on Saturday, 16th October 2020 via Zoom

****PLEASE REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE WITH THE SYNOD OFFICE BY FRIDAY 15th OCTOBER TO OBTAIN THE ZOOM LINK TO JOIN THE MEETING****

If you require documents in braille or large print, please contact the Synod Office by 7th October

Theme: "Looking Out"

10.15 Welcome:

10.20 Opening Worship: Revd Ruth Whitehead

10.40 The Constitution of Synod

Apologies for absence received

Minutes of the last Synod held in March 12021 – amended.

Welcome:

- to those attending for the first time and guests
- to those taking up and relinquishing responsibilities within the Synod
- movements within the Synod and out of the Synod
- church changes

10.50 General Assembly feedback and matters arising

- Resolution 44 & 45: Safeguarding: introduction of resolutions for discussion at March 2022 Synod
- Resolution 39 – 43: Ministerial Incapacity & Discipline: for discussion in March 2022 Synod.

11.00 Finance: [papers on the website.](#)

Pensions' situation update: including potential commitment and that of other Synod Trusts. Challenge of the decision of General Assembly; discussion and questions.

RESOLUTION 1 & 2

11.30 Budget for 2022

11.35 Ministry & Mission Fund update and target for 2022

RESOLUTION 3:

11.40 50th anniversary celebration of the URC Video: <https://youtu.be/3crc-4C0i8k>

Breakout rooms – ideas about Synod celebrations

12.05 Moderator of General Assembly 2023 - 24

12.10 Synod Committee reports: [all committee reports on the website](#)

Executive Committee:

- Youth Genesis update and video "What do young people want church to do – what would I ask of God?"
- Open mike – for March 2022 synod
- Eco policy update

12.30 LUNCH:

1.30 Pastoral Committee:

- Bristol Transition Minister post
- Lay Preacher retirements
- Lay Presidency Authorisations

RESOLUTION 4.

Ministries Committee:

2.00 Anti-racism report - Karen Campbell [report on the website](#)

2.30 Israel/Palestine – Revd Tracey Lewis

Closing worship – Revd Tracey Lewis