

There will be a **Meeting of Stroud Deanery Synod** on
Thursday 14th February 2019 - 7.30pm at St Laurence Church Hall

To help us get to know each other better, please will Synod members collect a name badge **as they arrive** and wear it throughout the meeting.

Coffee will be available from 7pm, with the meeting starting promptly at 7.30pm

1. WELCOME

2. PRESENT/APOLOGIES

3. PRAYER – led by Revd Kate Stacey

4. MINUTES

4.1 To consider and approve the Minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 10th October 2018 at Cainscross church Hall.

(Having been circulated previously)

4.2 Matters arising, not already covered elsewhere on the Agenda.

5. SPEAKER – Rt Revd Robert Springett – Bishop of Tewkesbury

Deanery Visit for Lent, Holy Week & Easter 2019

6. DEANERY & DIOCESAN LIFE VISION

- **Life Priority Groups** (*Brief attached*) and the new Life Development Fund
- **Deanery Conference – 26th May 2019** with +Rachel.
*Confirmation received that this has now been **postponed until May 2020***
- **'Green Shoots'** – Any successes to share or problems to solve?

7. REPORTS

7.1 Diocesan Synod Meeting – Meeting on 2.2.2019 - Lay Chair

7.2 Parish Share – Lay Chair

Parish Share 2018 – Final position

Parish Share Allocations for 2019 & Diocesan Stipend Fund (DSF)

Update – Please see attached sheet

7.3 Deanery Office Funding – Mike Lambert – To be tabled

Accounts for 2018 – copy attached

8. PARISH & BENEFICE UPDATE – Lay Chair

- **The Stroudwater Team** – Team Vicar vacancy update
- **Bisley Benefice** – House for Duty vacancy
- **The Beacon Benefice** – Vacancy update
- **Minchinhampton with Box & Amberley** – Licensing of
Revd Canon Howard Gilbert as Rector 26.1.2019 by +Rachel
- **Nailsworth Benefice** – Licensing of
Revd Caroline Bland as Vicar 20.1.2019 by +Robert

9. MEETINGS dates for 2019

Standing/Pastoral Com.10am-12 noon all at The Church Office, Stroud	Deanery Synod all at 7.30 pm	Speaker/Topic
Tuesday 30th April	Wednesday 22nd May Painswick Church Room	Revd Arthur Champion - Diocesan Environment Advisor <i>LiFE vision aim of becoming an Eco Diocese by 2020.</i>
Tuesday 17th September	Wednesday 9th October Cainscross Church Hall	Archdeacon Hilary Dawson

10. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Deanery Standing Committee** – Lay vacancy (*Commitment: 3 meetings per year*)
- **Diocesan Synod** – Lay vacancies (Currently only 2 of possible 8 places filled – Commitment: 3 meetings per year, 2 usually on Saturday mornings from 9am to 1pm, including lunch, and one evening in the summer during June/July).
- **THRIVE Initiative**
- **Archdeacon's Visitation Service** – Wednesday 8th May, 7.30pm All Saints, Bisley
- **Archdeacon Hilary will be visiting the Deanery 3rd & 4th June 2019 to meet with Incumbents.**
Possible Deanery Welcome Service as part of that visit on the evening of Monday 3rd June, 7.30pm at Painswick Church
- **Deanery Safeguarding Workshop** – The Standing Committee are looking at the opportunity to run a course locally – more details shortly

11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Please advise the Deanery Administrator of any other business. No other business will be considered for inclusion unless received by her by 10.00am on Wednesday 13th February 2019

12. CLOSING PRAYER led by Revd Pat Freeth