

There will be a **Meeting of Stroud Deanery Synod** on  
**Wednesday 22nd May 2019 - 7.30pm at St Laurence Church**

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 Brian Woollaston**

**4. MINUTES**

**4.1** To consider and approve the Minutes of the previous meeting held on Thursday 14th February 2019 at St Laurence Church Hall (Having been circulated previously)

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

- Illuminate Funding update

**5. SPEAKERS– Revd Mike Smith – Diocesan Christian Giving Co-Ordinator  
'The Giving Toolbox'**

**Revd Arthur Champion – Diocesan Environment Advisor  
'Becoming an Eco-Diocese by 2020'**

**6. DEANERY & DIOCESAN LIFE VISION**

- **Life Priority Groups** (*List attached of members in our Deanery*)
- **Deanery Life Vision** – *How to share our activities*

**7. REPORTS**

**7.1 Diocesan Synod Meeting** – Meeting on 9th March 2019 - Lay Chair

**7.2 Parish Share 2019** – Lay Chair

**Diocesan Stipend Fund (DSF)** – Area Dean - looking ahead to the Inter-Deanery meeting in June

**7.3 Deanery Office Funding** – Mike Lambert

**8. PARISH & BENEFICE UPDATE – Lay Chair**

- **The Stroudwater Team** – Revd Dave Bishop Licensed on 23.4.2019
- **Bisley Benefice** – House for Duty vacancy - Revd Sue Murray
- **The Beacon Benefice** – Vacancy update

**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 17th September	Wednesday 9th October Cainscross Church Hall	Archdeacon Hilary Dawson

## 10. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Deanery Standing Committee** – Lay vacancies
- **Consultation on Term limits for Deanery Synod lay members**
- **Diocesan Synod** – Lay vacancies (Currently only 3 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** – Initial meeting for the Benefices involved has taken place – hopefully starting later in the year.
- **Archdeacon's Visitation Service** – Thursday 9th May, 7.30pm All Saints, Bisley
- **Archdeacon Hilary will be visiting the Deanery 3rd & 4th June 2019 to meet with Incumbents.**  
Open Deanery Service on the evening of 3rd June at Painswick Church - all are welcome to come and meet Archdeacon Hilary – *Poster attached*
- **Deanery Safeguarding Workshop – Wednesday 29th May at Minchinhampton Church** for Incumbents, Churchwardens and Safeguarding Officers
- Farewell to Brian Woollaston, retiring at the end of September.

## 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 Tuesday 21st May

## 12. CLOSING PRAYER led by Revd Pat Freeth