

There will be a **meeting**
of **Stroud Deanery Synod** on
**Wednesday 26th February 2025, 7.30pm at Lakefield School, Frampton-on-Severn
GL2 7HG**

Coffee will be available from 7pm

1. WELCOME and introduction – Revd Sue Murray, Area Dean

2. OPENING PRAYER – Revd Liz Palin, Asst. Area Dean

3. MINUTES

To consider and approve the Minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 15th October at Minchinhampton Church.

Matters for Action:

- * **Parish Share 2026 - Benefice Consultations** – *Meeting scheduled for Monday 17th March between 2-7pm at the Painswick Church Rooms. Further details expected from the Finance Team shortly.*

(7.45pm)

4. Speakers: Lisa-Jayne Lewis, Stewardship & Giving Advisor & Revd Helen Sammon, Administrator for the Sylvanus Lysons Trust

Followed by a time for questions

(8.40pm)

5. THE DEANERY STRATEGIC PLAN – Update following the meeting on 16th January with the Strategic Implementation Board.

6. PARISH & BENEFICE UPDATE

Stroud Team – Team Vicar vacancy – Progress on the appointment of a full time stipendiary post, to complete the 3 member team.

7. REPORTS

7.1 Diocesan Synod on 1st February 2025 – *Draft Minutes attached*

7.2 General Synod on 10th–14th February 2025 – *Report to follow*

Mike Lambert - Deanery Treasurer and Parish Share Officer

7.3 Stroud Deanery Financial Updates – *Reports attached*

7.4 Deanery Eco Ambassador, Jennie South – *Report attached*

(8.50pm)

8. Confirmed meeting dates for 2025

Standing/Pastoral Com. 9.30am-12 noon all at The Porch Room Minchinhampton	Deanery Synod all at 7.30 pm <i>Coffee served from 7pm</i>	Suggested Speaker/Topic
April Tuesday 29th	May - Wednesday 21st May St Laurence Church, Stroud	Barrie Voyce Senior Youth Connector Deanery Vision for Children & Young Ministry
September Tuesday 16th September	October - Wednesday 15th Holy Trinity, Minchinhampton	Tbc

9. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deanery Lay Chair vacancy – Detailed job description attached.
(Margaret Sheather is stepping down after 10 years in post, with the May Synod being her last meeting)

Deanery Standing & Pastoral Committee – We continue to have 1 Lay vacancy.
3 meetings per year, plus a role on the Deanery Leadership Team

Bishop Rachel Deanery Visit – Monday 9th June 2025 – *Details tbc*
Suggestions you might like included?

10. 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 25th February 2025.

(Approx. 9.00pm)

11. CLOSING PRAYER led by Revd Dave Bishop