

There will be a **meeting**
of **Stroud Deanery Synod** on
Tuesday 15th October, 7.30pm at Holy Trinity Church, Minchinhampton

Coffee will be available from 7pm

1. WELCOME and introduction – Revd Liz Palin, Asst. Area Dean

2. OPENING PRAYER – Revd Howard Gilbert, Asst. Area Dean

To note the passing and give thanks for the life of Iris Trask (Aged 94), long-standing and committed Deanery Synod Rep for St Laurence, Stroud. The funeral will take place at St Laurence Church on 6th November at 12 noon.

3. MINUTES

To consider and approve the amended Minutes, as circulated on 15th August 2024, of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 8th May at St Laurence Church Hall.

Matters for Action:

To note – Roll out of the new Parish Share Model has been postponed to 2026.

(Note from the Archdeacons and the Chief Financial Officer attached, originally circulated on 23d July). Deanery Meeting to discuss allocation of the 2025 figures confirmed as

Monday 7th October at St Laurence Church Hall. All Chapter Clergy and Parish Treasurers have been invited to attend.

(7.45pm)

4. THE DEANERY STRATEGIC PLAN – Update – Next meeting of the DLT Thursday 3rd October, The Porch Room, Minchinhampton.

(It is anticipated that a Facilitator will come in to help action our next steps)

5. PARISH & BENEFICE UPDATE

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

Minchinhampton – Revd Natalie Jennings was licensed on 16th July as .5 Assoc Priest for Amberley, with Avening & Cherington.

6. REPORTS

1. Diocesan Synod on 10th July 2024 – Report attached
2. General Synod on 5th-9th July 2024 – Report attached

Mike Lambert - Deanery Treasurer and Parish Share Officer

3. Stroud Deanery Financial Update
4. Parish Share 2025 (*Following Allocation Meeting on 7th October*)
5. Deanery Eco Ambassador - Jennie South

(8.10pm)

7. 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
February Tuesday 4th	February - Wednesday 26th Lakefield School, Frampton	Tbc
April Tuesday 29th	May - Wednesday 21st May St Laurence Church, Stroud	Tbc
September Tuesday 16th September	October - Wednesday 15th Holy Trinity, Minchinhampton	Tbc

8. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Diocesan Synod Elections

Results of the elections confirmed as follow:

House of Laity 3/6: Canon Margaret Sheather, Elaine Venning, Gerald O'Brien

House of Clergy 5/7: Sue Murray, Area Dean, Peter Francis, Coral Francis, Caroline Bland, James Turk.

Deanery Standing & Pastoral Committee – We continue to have 2 Lay vacancies.
3 meetings per year, plus a role on the Deanery Leadership Team

9. 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 Monday 14th October 2024

(8.20pm)

10. PRESENTATION BY - The Very Revd Andrew Zihni – Dean of Gloucester Cathedral

Reflections on life at the Cathedral and all its challenges and how it can support us as a Deanery.

Followed by a time for questions

(Approx. 9.00pm)

11. CLOSING PRAYER led by Dean Andrew