2018 TIMETABLE FOR DIOCESAN SYNOD ELECTIONS

TUESDAY 06 MARCH 2018

Having already asked the Deanery Lay Chairman to act as the Presiding Officers need to email Bishop to formally appoint them – CRR as above - ask for copy of email for file records.

DERO to send out to Deanery Synod Secretaries covering letter and Deanery Synod lists for checking which need to be received back to ERO by **TUESDAY 27**MARCH 2018 (21 Days)

MONDAY 12 MARCH 2018

ERO to send out to Presiding Officers 'Notice of Election' for signing to be received back into the office by MONDAY 19 MARCH 2018 (7 Days)

MONDAY 09 APRIL 2018

ERO to send out to Presiding Officers lists of qualified electors in each House plus copy of Notice of Election; Nomination Form under covering letter.

ERO to send out Notice of Election and a Nomination Form to each qualified elector in each House.

FROM THE ABOVE DATE UNTIL WEDNESDAY 02 MAY 2018 (23 Days)

The Presiding Officer receives back completed nomination forms.

WEDNESDAY 02 MAY 2018

At the earliest opportunity following the expiry of the deadline, each Presiding Officer informs Jane Dobbs, the DERO, by telephone 023 92829 9661 or email jane.dobbs@portsmouth.anglican.org of the number of nominations in each House. If the number exceeds in either House the number of places available, an election will be necessary.

IF AN ELECTION IS NECESSARY

TUESDAY 08 MAY 2018

Voting papers and 'candidate details' will be despatched to each qualified elector in each house with returning instructions to their respective Presiding Officers.

WEDNESDAY 23 MAY 2018 (15 Days)

12 noon on this date is the closing time for the return of voting papers. As soon as possible thereafter, and not later than **FRIDAY 25 MAY 2018**, the Presiding Officer sends the elections results to the Diocesan Synod Secretary.

NOT LATER THAN WEDNESDAY 06 JUNE

The Diocesan Synod Secretary writes to Deanery Synod Secretaries and to all candidates, giving the list of those elected to form the new Diocesan Synod, together with instructions (if required in any deanery) regarding the procedure to be adopted in any House which failed to elect its full quota of members.

DIOCESAN SYNOD ELECTIONS 2018 ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

Eligibilities

- 1. Those eligible to vote are (CRR Rule 31 (1 4)) the houses of clergy and laity of the deanery synods, other than co-opted members.
- 2. Those eligible to stand for election as clergy are (Rule 31 (2)) clerks in Holy Orders who are members of the deanery synod.
- 3. Those eligible to stand for election as laity are (Rule 31 (3)) lay people who
 - i) are actual communicant members of the Church of England
 - ii) are aged 16 or over
 - iii) are on an electoral roll in the deanery
- 4. The allocation of seats to deaneries (as approved by the Diocesan Synod) is as follows:

	House of Clergy		House of Laity		
	2018 60 Seats	2015 <i>60</i> Seats	2018 60 Seats	2015 <i>60</i> Seats	Together with the ex-officio,
Bishop's.Waltham	5	5	6	6	nominated and co-opted
Fareham	6	7	8	8	
Gosport	6	5	4	4	members, the total
Petersfield	7	6	7	7	size of a Synod should be not less than 100 and not more
Havant	11	10	12	12	
Portsmouth	16	13	9	9	
		8 (EW)		7 (EW)	than 270.
Isle of Wight	9	<u>6 (WW)</u>	14	<u>7</u> (WW)	
Total	60	60	60	60	

Tenure of Office

5. Those elected will serve from 1 August 2018 to 31 July 2021, and (Deanery Synod Secretaries please note) become ex-officio members of their Deanery Synod from that date, if not already members.