

DEANERY SYNODS

PROVISION MADE BY THE BISHOP OF DERBY UNDER RULE 78(5)(b) CHURCH REPRESENTATION RULES 2020

This Instrument is made on twenty-fifth August 2020 and has effect within the Diocese of Derby from the date on which it is made until thirty-first August 2021 or until revoked if sooner

During this period a deanery synod ('the Synod') may hold any of its meetings remotely should it wish to do so

Remote working

1. Rule 26 Church Representation Rules 2020 (procedure of deanery synods) and the Rules for Deanery Synods dated 10th June 2017 apply with the following modifications.
2. A reference to a meeting of the Synod includes a reference to a meeting which persons may attend, speak at, vote in, or otherwise participate in without all of the persons, or without any of the persons, being together in the same place.
3. A reference to a place where a meeting of the Synod is held, or is to be held, includes a reference to more than one place, including electronic, digital or virtual locations, web addresses or conference call telephone numbers.
4. A person is to be regarded as present at a meeting of the Synod at any given time if the person is at that time able to hear and be heard and, where practicable, see and be seen by the other persons present.
5. A vote, whether of the whole Synod or by Houses, may be taken by such electronic method of voting as may be determined by the Area Dean (or, if the post is vacant, by the Acting Area Dean) and the Chair of the House of Laity of the Synod, acting jointly.
6. The provisions made by this Instrument have effect in spite of any inconsistent provision in any Rule of the Synod and any such provision is to be ignored.
7. A reference in this Instrument to being present at a meeting of the Synod includes a reference to being present by electronic means, including by telephone conference, video conference, live webcast and live interactive streaming.

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