

General Synod 2022

Liturgical Advisory Committee Report

Secunder: The Very Revd Nigel Dunne

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Archbishop,

In seconding this report I want to briefly pick up on what the proposer said about online meetings. We have found that the use of Zoom for the work of our sub-committees has been particularly useful, not least for the drafting work done by the Resources Group. Being able to screen share a draft liturgy and edit it 'live' during a meeting has greatly enhanced our ability to do two things:

1. to easily track alterations and deletions as they are made - when you are dealing with decisions about exciting things like the placement of a carriage return or a comma, this is most useful! and
2. to construct liturgical material in a much shorter timespan, particularly when urgent requests to produce material comes in.

Speaking of the Resources Group - its work is critical to the careful and efficient production of liturgical material between meetings for scrutiny by the full committee. The most recent examples of this are the material for the National Day of Remembrance and Recognition in March and the production of material for the forthcoming Platinum Jubilee.

Finally, I think it is important for the Synod to note that two of our key members have recently retired as elected members – the Very Revd Gerald Field and the Revd Ken Rue. Gerald has been our Honorary Secretary for many years and worked tirelessly to ensure the smooth operation of the LAC. This has been a huge act of service to the Church, not least to our worshipping life. Ken Rue's eye for incredible detail has served us very well in the production of the printed and online Lectionary every year, again work of great service to the Church. We thank them both.

Archbishop, I have pleasure in proposing that the report of the Liturgical Advisory Committee be received.