#### **NOMINATION FORM**

## To be returned to the Diocesan Secretary at Church House by 12noon on Friday 28 September 2018.

## **ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF THE VACANCY IN SEE COMMITTEE**

In addition to the appointed members, the Diocesan Synod elects a total of six members (two clergy and four laity) to the Vacancy in See Committee.

Nomination of a candidate to represent the House of Clergy or Laity should be made by completing the form below. (**Please write in block capitals**)

Please indicate the House for which the nomination is made	CLERGY	LAITY
NAME OF CANDIDATE		
Address		
Telephone		
Email		
Parish		
Further particulars		
NAME OF PROPOSER		
Member of Diocesan Synod and of	Deanery Synod	
Signature of proposer		Date
NAME OF SECONDER		
Member of Diocesan Synod and of		Deanery Synod
Signature of seconder		Date
<u><b>Consent</b></u> I am willing to stand for election and, i	f elected, to serve as a member of t	he Committee.
Signature of candidate		Date
See Notes overleaf		

# **NOTES**

## 1. Functions of the Vacancy in See Committee.

The role of the Vacancy in See Committee is as follows :-

- To prepare a brief description of the Diocese and a statement setting out the desired profile of the new Bishop;
- To elect the diocesan representatives to the Crown Nominations Commission

The committee will meet at least twice.

## 2. Composition.

The Committee consists of ex officio and elected members.

#### **Ex Officio Members:**

The ex officio members are:

- the suffragan bishops;
- the dean;
- the archdeacons;
- the proctors in Convocation;
- the members elected to the house of laity of General Synod: and
- the chairs of the houses of clergy and laity of diocesan synod.

## **Elected Members:**

The number of elected members has been determined by Bishop's Council, within the constraints laid down by the Vacancy in See Committees Regulations (in particular, to seek to achieve equal overall numbers of clergy and laity once all ex-officio members are considered).

To be eligible for election clergy must be beneficed in the diocese or licensed by the bishop; lay persons must be actual communicants whose names are on the electoral roll of a parish in the diocese. Elected members will hold office until 31 December 2021, i.e. until after the next election of diocesan synod.

#### 3. Nominations.

A nomination form for election is set out overleaf. The form should be signed by a proposer and seconder who **must both be members of the appropriate house of Diocesan Synod**. The candidate, <u>who need</u> <u>not be a member of diocesan synod</u>, should sign that he or she is willing to stand for election and to serve. In order to assist the electors in their choice, the candidate may make a short factual statement about himself/herself. Nomination forms must be returned by <u>12noon on Friday 28 September 2018</u>. If an election is necessary, it will be by the single transferable vote method.

#### 4. Expenses

Travelling expenses at the rate of 45p per mile may be claimed for attendance at Vacancy in See meetings.

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