Matters arising

Matters Outstanding		Action	
April 2015			
15.2.27	The Council directed the Connexional Team to review and report to the Council in January 2016 on the classification of land held as an investment.	This work has been delayed, and will be brought to a future meeting of the Council.	
October 20	015		
15.3.29	City Centre Churches – the Council directed that the new City Centre list be presented to the Council in 2018.	Work is now underway	
15.3.39	Listed Buildings Advisory Committee - the Council directed the Connexional Team, in consultation with the Listed Buildings Advisory Committee, to undertake a review of the Committee's terms of reference and appeals process in section 98 of CPD and bring to the Council any proposed policy changes in April 2016.	Work is underway, and a report will be brought to the April 2017 meeting of the Council.	
January 20	16		
16.1.10	Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse — The Council received a report noting that a group would be established to advise the Secretary of the Conference on responding to and preparing for the Inquiry.	The advisory group has now met and consists of the Conference Officer for Legal and Constitutional Practice, the Safeguarding Adviser, The Revd Alison Tomlin (chair of the Safeguarding Committee), Peter Ackerley (member of the Safeguarding Committee) and Jane Stacey. The group are content that for the time being the membership is sufficient but shall seek additional members/advisers as required. There has been no direct contact from the Inquiry to date.	
October 20	016		
16.3.4 (2)	Concerns about how detailed consideration might best be given to all proposals that are brought before the Council.	The SRC is to discuss this at its meeting in February 2017, and will bring a report to the April 2017 meeting of the Council.	
16.3.7	Work from the Conference	The Council agreed to keep the volume of work under review.	
16.3.9	Westminster College Oxford Trust and other trusts – the Council agreed that an approach should be made to the Trust and similarly to a wider set of bodies on the basis of the ongoing governance scrutiny basis.	 (a) The Secretary of the Conference has meet with the Chair of the Trust. It was agreed that once the arrangements for the new lease had been finalised further consideration would be given to the deployment of the resources of the Trust. (b) The Revd Tim Swindell, Connexional Treasurer, has begun a process of reviewing how various bodies report to and are overseen by the Council with a view to ensuring greater coherence of oversight in the deployment of recourses that are ultimately under the control of the Council. 	

16.3.28	Maternity leave	It has not been possible to bring a report to this meeting of the Council; it is to be considered by the Stationing Committee at its next meeting.
16.3.32	All We Can – the Council requested further conversations about the relationship between the Methodist Church and All We Can.	The Secretary of the Conference and the Connexional Secretary have held a meeting with the Chief Executive of All We Can. A further meeting is due to take place on 27 January 2017 at which it is hoped to explore options for a close relationship between the Church and All We Can.
16.3.36	Methodist Independent Schools Trust Legal Structure – the Council authorised the appointment of a group to undertake the scrutiny of the proposals and to report back to the Council in January 2017.	The legal work is continuing and a scrutiny group will be appointed at an appropriate point.

Further to minute 16.3.30, the Council is asked to note that the small group appointed to consider resolution 6/7 (regarding university funding for the children of ministers stationed in the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man, Gibraltar and Malta) will also report to the Council concerning resolutions 6/8 and 6/9 of the 2016 Conference (shown below).

- 6/8. The Conference directed the Council to report on the reciprocal state contribution and benefit arrangements between the UK and the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man, Gibraltar and Malta and make appropriate recommendations.
- 6/9. The Conference directed the Council to review the matter of public sector employment arrangements between the UK and the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man, Gibraltar and Malta as it affects the spouses of ministers, and offer appropriate advice.

***RESOLUTION

- 2/1. The Council receives the report.
- 2/2. The Council notes that the working group established to consider Resolution 6/7 (2016) will also consider Resolutions 6/8 and 6/9 (2016).