

## **Extension of the appointment of the Chair of the Conference Business Committee**

Under SO 136 the Council is required to send a nomination to the Conference in respect of the chair of the Conference Business Committee (Representative Session). The chair must be an ex-President or ex-Vice-President and serve for three years. There is no probation on the term of the appointment being extended.

The Methodist Council recommends to the Conference that Mr David Walton be appointed to serve as Chair of the Conference Business Committee for two further years (the Conferences of 2020 and 2021).

### Reasoned statement

David Walton has brought considerable wisdom and experience to the role of Chair of the Conference Business Committee since assuming the role in 2017.

David has brought his experience of chairing the Methodist Council, the Law and Polity Committee and as a Vice-President of the Conference and Record Secretary to this role. He is recognised as a good Chair of the twice daily meetings of the Committee during the Conference, preparing thoroughly and expediting business efficiently and effectively within the time available. He represents the Committee to the Conference and to individuals firmly and yet sensitively. He is an excellent judge of the mood of the Committee, and also of the Conference, and is able to contribute appropriately to discussions in the light of that.

The Council is confident in David's ability to discern carefully the needs and work of the Conference for a further period of two years, and warmly nominates him to the Conference for appointment as Chair of its Business Committee until the adjournment of the Conference in 2021.

### **\*\*\*RESOLUTION**

**46/1. The Council nominates Mr David S Walton to the Conference as Chair of the Conference Business Committee for a further period of two years, until the adjournment of the Conference of 2021.**