

THE METHODIST COUNCIL
High Leigh Conference Centre
16-17 October 2017

AGENDA

Glossary of terms

Note = for information

Discussion = significant discussion time but not expecting resolutions

Approve = resolution required but appears not to need any substantial debate

Decision = resolution required and probably does need substantial debate first

Monday 16 October

13:00 **LUNCH**

13:45 Prayers

14:00 **Session 1**

1. Apologies, Welcomes, Letters, Announcements, Observers
2. Appointment of new members of the Council **[MC/17/79] – to approve**
3. Minutes of the Methodist Council held on 1-3 April 2017 – **to approve**
4. Matters arising from the Council minutes **[MC/17/80] – to note**
5. Notification of Chair's Business
6. Report from the Strategy and Resources Committee (SRC) held on 27 April 2017, 5 June 2017, 13 September 2017 **[MC/17/81] – to note**
7. Report from the Connexional Team **[MC/17/82] – to note**
8. Work from the Conference **[MC/17/83] – to approve**
9. Update on work from the Conference **[MC/17/84] – to approve**
10. Special Resolution from the Conference **[MC/17/85] – to approve**
11. Process for nominating the Chair of the Council **[MC/17/86] – for decision**
12. Property Development Committee – confidential paper **[MC/17/87] – to approve**
13. Property Development Committee – strategy **[MC/17/88] – to approve**
14. Property Development company **[MC/17/89] – to approve**

15. Model Trust 20 application – Sidwell Street **[MC/17/90] – for decision**

16:00 **TEA BREAK**

16:30 **Session 2**

16. Leasing of Methodist premises – Sunday trading **[MC/17/91] – for decision**

17. All We Can update **[MC/17/92] – to note**

18. Confidential update **[MC/17/93 sent separately] – to note**

18:00

19. Presentation from the Connexional Leaders' Forum: Statistics for Mission – responding to the call of God **[Background material MC/17/DP1, MC/17/DP2]**

18:30 **DINNER**

20:00 **Session 3**

20. Group discussions on presentation from Connexional Leaders' Forum

21:15 Evening Prayer

Tuesday 17 October

07:30 Holy Communion

08:15 **BREAKFAST**

09:15 **Session 4**

21. *En bloc* items

22. Process for reviewing the Safeguarding Committee **[verbal update] – to note**

23. Role of the Network Committee **[MC/17/94] – to approve**

24. Risk Management Policy update and discussion **[MC/17/95] – for approval and discussion**

25. Marriage and Relationships Task Group **[MC/17/96 to follow] – to approve**

11:00 **COFFEE BREAK**

11:30 **Session 5**

26. Review of the Replacement Project Criteria **[MC/17/97] – for decision**

27. M25 (2017) – consider holding conference about opposing racism **[verbal update] – to approve**
 28. Connexional Grants Committee policy **[MC/17/98] – to approve**
- 12:00 Feedback from group discussions
- 12.45 Prayers
- 13:00 **LUNCH and Departures**

En bloc items

1. Committee appointments **[MC/17/99]**
2. Decisions made by the Council since the last meeting **[MC/17/100]**
3. Connexional Manse Trustees annual report **[MC/17/101]**
4. Sharing agreements **[MC/17/102]**
5. Auxiliary Special Purposes Fund **[MC/17/103]**
6. Managing Trusteeship of 24 Somerset Road **[MC/17/104]**
7. Authorisations and Delegations **[MC/17/105]**
8. Heritage Committee **[MC/17/106]**
9. The working group considering the Methodist Diaconal Order as a religious order **[MC/17/107]**
10. Methodist Independent Schools Trust – appointment of trustees **[MC/17/108]**
11. Appointments of directors of the Methodist Lay Employees Pension Trust Limited **[MC/17/109]**
12. Global Relationships Strategic Oversight Sub-Committee **[MC/17/110]**
13. Connexional Grants Committee annual report **[MC/17/111]**