

5. Conference Arrangements

A. Future Conferences

The Methodist Council is required to print annually the plan for the locations of future meetings of the Conference. The venue is shown where known.

2020	Telford	(25 June – 2 July)
2021	Birmingham	(24 June – 1 July)

***RESOLUTION

5/1. The Conference adopts the Report.

B. Associate Members

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5/2. The Conference invites the following Conferences, Churches and Christian bodies to appoint associate members of the Conference in 2020:

The Church of England
The United Reformed Church
The Roman Catholic Church in England and Wales
The Scottish Episcopal Church
The Russian Orthodox Church
The Cherubim and Seraphim Council of Churches

Methodist Church in Malaysia
Methodist Church in Fiji
Iglesia Evangelica Metodista en Bolivia
Methodist Church of the Caribbean and the Americas (MCCA)
Igreja Evangelica Metodista Portuguesa
United Methodist Church: Central and Southern Europe Conference
Methodist Church Sierra Leone
United Church of Zambia

C. Presbyteral Session

1. The Presbyteral Session defines by resolution who may normally be present at closed sessions. Attendance when it sits as a court of appeal is governed by Standing Order 1145(7).

2. For the sake of accuracy, it is desirable that the Presbyteral Session delegates to the Representative Session the responsibility for adopting the Record of its Sessions, thus allowing time for members to check its details.

***RESOLUTIONS

- 5/3. (Presbyteral Session) **The Presbyteral Session of the Conference resolves that whenever it goes into closed session its membership, except when Standing Order 1145(7) applies, or the Conference otherwise resolves, shall be confined to presbyters who are entitled to vote on the business under consideration, with the Conference Officer for Legal and Constitutional Practice and Secretary of the Faith and Order Committee in attendance as appropriate.**
- 5/4. (Presbyteral Session) **The Presbyteral Session of the Conference delegates to the Representative Session the adoption of the printed and written portions of the Daily Record for both days of its meeting.**
- 5/5. (Presbyteral Session) **The Conference directs that the total time available for the Presbyteral Session of the Conference of 2020 shall not be less than eight hours.**
- 5/6. (Presbyteral Session) **The Conference invites the Vice-President of the Conference of 2019/2020 to attend the Presbyteral Session of the 2020 Conference, apart from any closed sessions, with the right to speak but without a vote.**
- 5/7. **In accordance with Standing Order 105(1A) the Conference directs that the following Districts shall each elect at least one deacon to be a member of the Conference of 2020:**

Birmingham, Bristol, Cumbria, Channel Islands, East Anglia, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Lancashire, Nottingham and Derby, Northampton, Southampton, Yorkshire West, Wolverhampton and Shrewsbury, London, South East

Reserves: Lincolnshire, Manchester and Stockport, Plymouth and Exeter