

**THE METHODIST COUNCIL**  
**High Leigh Conference Centre**  
**14-15 October 2019**

**AGENDA**

**Monday 14 October**

13:00 **LUNCH**

13:45 Prayers

14:00 Introduction to Council business for the year and ways of working

Methodist Council objectives **[MC/19/64]**

15:15 **Session 1**

1. Apologies, Welcomes, Letters, Announcements, Observers
2. Minutes of the Methodist Council held on 6-8 April 2019
3. Report from the Connexional Team **[MC/19/65]**
4. Terms of reference for the review of Part 11 **[MC/19/66 to follow]**
5. Appointment of Task Group to review the role of Youth President **[MC/19/67]**
6. Appointment of nomination panel for the Secretary of the Conference **[MC/19/68]**

16:00 **TEA BREAK**

16:30 **Session 2**

7. Draft Foundations of an Evangelism and Growth Strategy **[MC/19/69]**
8. Reaffirming *Our Calling*: The Next Steps – presentation and discussion **[MC/19/70 to follow]**

18:30 **DINNER**

19:30 **Session 3**

9. Report from the Strategy and Resources Committee (SRC) held on 30 April 2019 and 18 September 2019 **[MC/19/71]**
10. Risk Management Policy **[MC/19/72]**
11. Connexional Grants Committee report **[MC/19/73]**
12. Centenary Hall Trust – amendment to Charity Commission scheme **[MC/19/74 to follow]**

20:45 Evening Prayer

## **Tuesday 15 October**

07:30 Holy Communion

08:15 **BREAKFAST**

09:15 **Session 4**

13. *En bloc* items
14. Equality, Diversity and Inclusion:
  - (a) Notice of Motion 2019/207: EDI concerns in stationing **[MC/19/75]**
  - (b) Notice of Motion 2019/206: Review of procedures following incidents of hate or unlawful discrimination **[MC/19/76 to follow]**
  - (c) Report from the EDI Task Group **[verbal report]**
15. Confidential update

11:00 **COFFEE BREAK**

11:30 **Session 5**

16. Fundamental principles of new Model Trust 20 policy **[MC/19/77]**
17. Discussion on proposed policy for the Connexional Priority Fund levy and replacement project criteria **[MC/19/78]**
18. Update on the work relating to *Mission and Ministry in Covenant* **[MC/19/79A]**
19. Listing Ministers on the Plan **[MC/19/79B]**
20. Follow up to discussion session

12.45 Prayers

13:00 **LUNCH and Departures**

### ***En bloc* items**

1. Committee appointments **[MC/19/80]**
2. Matters arising **[MC/19/81]**
3. Decisions made by the Council since the last meeting **[MC/19/82]**
4. Authorisations and Delegations **[MC/19/83]**
5. Terms of reference for Audit Committee **[MC/19/84]**
6. Southlands College **[MC/19/85]**
7. Pension and Assurance Scheme for Lay Employees of the Methodist Church **[MC/19/86]**