

## 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 adopted the Report.

### B. Associate Members

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##### 5/2. The Conference invited 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

##### *Europe:*

Northern: United Methodist Church in Northern Europe and Eurasia  
Central/Southern: United Methodist Church in Central and Southern Europe  
Germany: Evangelisch-methodistische Kirche  
Italy: L'Opera per le Chiese Evangeliche Metodiste in Italia (OPCEMI)  
Portugal: Igreja Evangelica Metodista Portuguesa

##### *Africa:*

Zambia: United Church of Zambia  
Benin: Eglise Protestante Méthodiste du Bénin  
Sierra Leone: Methodist Church Sierra Leone  
Gambia: Methodist Church The Gambia  
Rwanda: Free Methodist Church in Rwanda

##### *Asia/Pacific:*

Bangladesh: Church of Bangladesh  
Papua New Guinea: United Church in Papua New Guinea  
Church of North India: Church of North India  
Fiji: Methodist Church in Fiji  
Australia: Uniting Church in Australia

##### *Latin American and Caribbean:*

MCCA : Methodist Church in the Caribbean and Americas  
El Salvador: Iglesia Evangelica Metodista en El Salvador  
Bolivia: Iglesia Evangelica Metodista en Bolivia  
Venezuela: Comunidad Cristiana Metodista de Venezuela  
Guatemala: Iglesia Evangélica Nacional Metodista de Guatemala

### **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 resolved 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 delegated 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 directed 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 invited 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 directed that the following Districts shall each elect at least one deacon to be a member of the Conference of 2020:**  
Birmingham, Bristol, Cumbria, East Anglia, Lancashire, Nottingham and Derby, Northampton, Southampton, Yorkshire West, Wolverhampton and Shrewsbury, London, South East  
Reserves: Lincolnshire, Manchester and Stockport, Plymouth and Exeter