

The Methodist Council
All Saints Pastoral Centre
3-4 April 2009

A G E N D A

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

Friday 3 April

12:00 **Session 1**

1. Opening Prayers - **The Chaplain**
2. Welcomes, Apologies, Letters, Announcements; Observers
3. Minutes of the Methodist Council held on 16-17 February 2009 - **to approve**
4. Matters arising from the Council minutes [**MC/09/33**]
5. Minutes of the Strategy and Resources Committee held on 11-12 March 2009 and report from the Chair – **to note**
6. Matters arising from the SRC minutes
7. Chair's Business
8. Report from the Connexional Leaders' Forum
9. Report from the Strategic Leaders
10. Revised Expectations document [**MC/09/34**] – **to approve**
11. Timetabling of future Council meetings [**MC/09/35**] – **for decision**

13:00 **LUNCH**

14:00 **Session 2**

12. Attesting the Conference Journal
13. Connexional Team Budget 2009/10 [**MC/09/36**] – **for decision**
14. Connexional Allowances Committee Report [**MC/09/37**] – **for decision**
15. Pensions [**MC/09/38A, MC/09/38B, MC/08/38C**] – **for decision**

16. World Church Relationships staffing [MC/09/39] – **for decision**
17. Joint Implementation Commission [MC/09/40] – **to approve**
18. Ecumenical statement [MC/09/41] – **to approve**

16:00 **TEA**

16:30 **Session 3**

19. Annual Development Review [MC/09/42] – **for decision**
20. Stationing Review Group implementation [MC/09/43] – **to approve**
21. Safeguarding – safer recruitment policy [MC/09/44] – **to note**

19:00 **DINNER**

20:00 **Session 4**

22. Reflections from the President and Vice-President
23. Fresh Ways report [MC/09/45] – **to approve**

21:00 **EVENING PRAYERS**

Saturday 4 April

07:45 Holy Communion

08:30 Breakfast

09:15 **Session 5**

24. Update on review of committees [MC/09/46] – **to note**
25. Methodist Heritage [MC/09/47] – **to note**
26. Equalities and Diversity update [MC/09/48] – **to approve**
27. Personnel files for ministers and deacons [MC/09/49] – **for discussion**

11:00 **COFFEE**

11:30 **Session 6**

28. Hope in God's Future [MC/09/50] – **to approve**
29. Faith and Order Committee report [MC/09/51] – **to note**
30. Special Resolutions [MC/09/64] – **to approve**

31. Notices of Motion and Memorials referred to the Council [MC/09/52] – **to approve**
32. En bloc items – **see below**
33. Note any items to be referred to the Connexional Leaders' Forum
34. Note any items referred to Strategy and Resources Committee

12:45 Devotions

13.00 **LUNCH**

EN BLOC ITEMS

1. Guidelines on internet banking [MC/09/53]
2. Report of Connexional Trustees for Connexional Offices, Central Buildings, Manchester [MC/09/54]
3. Appointment of Chair of Conference Business Committee [MC/09/55]
4. Update on Communications Strategy [MC/09/56]
5. Mph transition [MC/09/57]
6. Conference appointments [MC/09/58]
7. Rota for diaconal representation at the Conference [MC/09/59]
8. Appointment of two associate members as members of the Conference [MC/09/60]
9. Appointment of the Memorials Committee [MC/09/61]
10. Youth Participation Strategy [MC/09/62]
11. Appointment of Mission Partners [MC/09/63]
12. Joint Advisory Committee on the Ethics of Investment Appointment [MC/09/65]