

THE METHODIST COUNCIL
Via video conferencing
26-27 January 2021

AGENDA

Glossary of terms

Note = for information

Discussion = significant discussion time but not expecting resolutions

Approve = resolution required, usually after previous or delegated discussion

Decision = resolution required and probably does need substantial debate first

Tuesday 26 January

9:30 Finance Induction for new members of the Council

- 11:00
1. Opening worship
 2. Minutes of the Methodist Council held on 12-13 October 2020 – **to approve**
 3. Report of the Strategy and Resources Committee **[MC/21/1] – to approve**
 4. Consolidated Accounts **[MC/21/2] – to approve**
 5. Report of the Audit and Risk Assurance Committee **[MC/21/3] – to approve**
 6. Risk Management Policy **[MC/21/4] – to approve**
 7. Process for appointing Pension Trustees **[MC/21/5] – to approve**
 8. Forces Board strategic vision **[MC/21/6] – for decision**

12:30 Break

- 13:30
9. Focus groups
 1. Oversight and Trusteeship **[MC/21/7, MC/21/7A, MC/21/7B, MC/21/7C, MC/21/7D]**
 2. Memorial M6, Global Climate Emergency **[MC/21/8]**
 3. Budget preliminary discussion **[MC/21/9]**
 4. Property strategy and related matters **[MC/21/10, MC/21/11]**
 5. Schools' Education Strategy consultation **[MC/21/12]**

Break

- 16:00
10. Report from Global Relationships Committee **[MC/21/13] – to approve**
 11. Update on Part 11 review **[MC/21/14] – to note**
 12. Online meetings **[verbal update] – to note**

17:00 Closing prayer

Wednesday 27 January

09:00 Morning prayers

13. Reports of the focus groups and decisions on their recommendations – **for decision**
14. Connexional Team Update **[MC/21/15] – to note**

10:30 Break

11:00 15. *En bloc items*

16. Domestic abuse policy and procedures **[MC/21/16] – to approve**
17. Connexional Allowances Committee **[MC/21/17] – to approve**
18. Israel and Palestine – memorials referred to the Council by the Conference **[MC/21/18] – for decision**
19. Churches' Ministerial Counselling Service – conversion to a CIO **[MC/21/19] – to approve**

12:30 Lunch

13:30 20. Looking to the future – input from the Secretary of the Conference, and opportunity for discussion

15:00 Closing prayer

En bloc items

1. Matters arising **[MC/21/20]**
2. Decisions made and actions taken since the last meeting of the Council **[MC/21/21]**
3. Epworth Educational Trust report **[MC/21/22]**
4. Southlands report **[MC/21/23]**
5. Global safeguarding principles **[MC/21/24]**
6. Joseph Rank Trust – summary of grants made **[MC/21/25]**
7. Sharing agreements – list **[MC/21/26]**
8. Nominations and appointments **[MC/21/27]**
9. EDI data for the Council **[MC/21/28]**
10. Modern slavery statement **[MC/21/29]**