

There will be a **meeting**
of **Stroud Deanery Synod** on
Wednesday 21st January 2026, 7.30pm at Lakefield School, Frampton.

Coffee will be available from 7pm

1. WELCOME and introduction – Revd Liz Palin , Area Dean Team

2. OPENING PRAYER

3. MINUTES

To consider and approve the Minutes of the previous meeting held on Wednesday 15th October 2025 at Holy Trinity, Minchinhampton

Matters for Action – Following discussions at the last Deanery Synod meeting, suggested Motion to Diocesan Synod from David Groom, Selsley - *(copy attached)*

(7.45pm)

4. Discussions:

Our Deanery Strategic Pathway document

(Copy of the latest, revamped and simplified paper attached) and

Deanery Transformational Lead role

Followed by a time for group discussions and questions – May we suggest that you sit in Benefice groups at the tables

(8.40pm)

5. PARISH & BENEFICE UPDATE

- **Rodborough & Bisley** vacancy posts – to be reviewed under the DSP
- **Do you have any good news stories you would like to share?**

6. REPORTS

Please see individual Reports attached

6.1 Diocesan Synod – Meeting in October 2025 – *Draft Minutes*

6.2 General Synod – *No meeting in November, next date 9th-13th February*

6.3 Stroud Deanery Financial Updates - Mike Lambert - *Deanery Treasurer and PS Liaison*

6.4 Eco Update - Jennie South – *Deanery Eco Ambassador*

(8.50pm)

7. Confirmed meeting dates for 2026

Core deanery Leadership Team Meetings (CDLT) 9.30am-12 noon all at The Porch Room Minchinhampton	Deanery Synod all at 7.30 pm <i>Coffee served from 7pm</i>	Suggested Speaker/Topic
March Tuesday 24 th	April Tuesday 14 th <u>St Laurence Church, Stroud</u>	Nic Tall The realities of C of E Finance
June Tuesday 9 th	June Tuesday 30 th <u>Painswick Church Rooms</u>	Church Buildings & our Mission & Ministry
October Tuesday 6 th	October Tuesday 20 th <u>Minchinhampton Church</u>	Digital Communications Katherine Clamp – Head of Communications & <i>Sam Cavendar – Senior Digital Coms Officer</i>

8. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Stroudwater Team will be holding a Confirmation Service on 20th September, 3pm – *venue tbc*

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Please advise the Deanery Administrator of any other business. No other business will be considered for inclusion unless received by her by 10.00am on Tuesday 20th January 2026.

(Approx. 9.00pm)

10. CLOSING PRAYER – Revd Leah Collins