

**Representative Session of Synod, St Andrew's Methodist/URC, Rochdale
Saturday 7 September 2013 at 9.30am – 1.15pm**

AGENDA

1. Opening Worship – Revd Ron Hicks
2. Welcome to Synod – Revd Ron Hicks
3. Formal business:
 - Hours of session
 - Appointment of Scrutineers
 - Dispensations & Apologies
 - Correspondence
4. Welcome of presbyters/deacon new to the District:

Bolton Mission	Lynda Cooke	(Mental Health Chaplain)
Farnworth and Worsley	Neville Markham	(Hospital Chaplain)
Wigan	Sally Binymin	(Presbyter)
Leigh and Hindley	Andrew Bradley	(Presbyter)
Leigh and Hindley	Vivienne Smith	(Presbyter)
Leigh and Hindley	Jeff Walker	(Supernumerary)
Rossendale	Janice Trimble	(Presbyter)
Bury	Kate Barrett	(Supernumerary Deacon)

Presbyters with new appointments within the District:

Leigh and Hindley	Carl Howarth	(Superintendent)
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Welcome those new to Synod
5. Conference 2013 (*London 4-11 July*)
6. Nominations for Conference 2014 (*26th June – 3rd July 2014 in Birmingham*)
7. Finance – Diane Hardwick
8. Fairtrade – Jan Hicks (*Fairtrade Fortnight – Monday 24 February to Sunday 9 March*)
- 9. Break – Please visit the stalls**
10. Items from District Leadership Team
11. District Vision – Mike Anderson
12. 3 Generate – Ruth East (*15-17 November 2013*)
13. Appointments
14. MWiB – Vera Nelson (*District Day: Thursday 31 October 10am-4pm at Bedford*)
15. Safeguarding – Graham Kay
16. Jennifer Crook – National Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Adviser
17. Dates of forthcoming Synods:

Presbyteral Synod	Wednesday 2 April 2014	Bury Circuit
Representative Synod	Saturday 10 May 2014	Christ Church F & W
Representative Synod	Saturday 6 September 2014	TBA
18. Courtesies
19. Closing devotions

Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Venue	Time	Details
10 th October	Creating Safer Space Leadership Module	Bolton Road, Bury, BL8 2EH	10am – 4pm	Booking via the district website
14 th November	Pre Advent Reflection Day	Whalley Abbey, Clitheroe, BB7 9SS	10am – 3pm	Booking via the district website. For all Ministers, Deacons and Lay Employees
14 th November	Jeff Lucas is coming to...	Longholme, Rossendale, BB4 7NE	7:00pm	Organised by all the churches in Rossendale. At £5 a ticket it promises to be a good evening! For more information; Tel: 07412 130045 Email: rossendalemethodists@gmail.com