

Agenda

1. Preliminary

- a) Attendance and Apologies
- b) Dispensations
- c) Hours of session
- d) Correspondence
- e) Appointment of scrutineers: David Dale, Rebekah Fairhurst, Sylvia Fairhurst
- f) Financial report** – Diane Hardwick

2. The District and the Conference

- a) Memorials and resolutions
- b) Authorisations: Rev Helen Johnson

3. The District and the Methodist Council

- a) Discipleship and Ministries Learning Network

4. The District and the Methodist Children and Youth Assembly

- 5. District Vision** – Presentation and discussion led by Wendy Beard, DDE

Break for tea/coffee

6. Communication with the Presbyteral Session of Synod

- a) Probationers: Len Pereira; Helen Johnson
- b) Presbyters without appointment: Ken Fitzsimmons (retiring), Margaret Smith, (Neville Markham)
- c) *Jack Leach*

7. Diaconal Matters

- a) Probationer: Siân Street
- b) Candidate: Sarah Wickett
- c) Role of Deacons in circuits

8. District Reports (see the [Synod Agenda](#))

9. Appointments, elections and nominations

- a) Conference 2013 (for information)
- b) Grants Committee: Rev John Illsley
- c) Lay Employment Secretary: (ministerial) Rev Gerald Broadbent
- d) Probationers' Committee: Rev John Hilton, Mrs Sue Snowden
- e) Sabbaticals Panel Convenor: Rev Darren Garfield
- f) Under 5's Secretary: Rev Darren Garfield

10. Constitution of the Synod (Synod Agenda p6-7)

11. Courtesies

12. Date and place of next meeting

Saturday 7 September 2013, 9.30am at St Andrew's (Methodist and United Reformed Church), Rochdale and Littleborough Circuit, Smith Street, Rochdale, OL16 1HE