

## 2 b) Diocesan Synod Election Formula 2018 - 2021

### Proposed Formula Calculations

The Bishop's Council considered a range of formulae in making its recommendation to Diocesan Synod for the formula for the 2018-2021 elections.

In 2014, the Synod increased potential membership from 102 to 156 to increase the range of representation. The size has been big enough to enable that greater representation while also being small enough to accommodate in a cafe style format, enabling views to be shared and discussed and members to get to know one another.

It is proposed therefore that a similar size is maintained between 2018 and 2021.

Deanery	No of Clergy	Ratio of 1 : 3.6	No on ER 2017	Ratio of 1 : 250
Bristol South	19	5	1647	7
Bristol West	32	9	2778	11
City	50	14	2014	8
Chippenham	14	4	1579	6
Kingswood & South Gloucestershire	39	11	2854	11
North Wiltshire	16	4	1492	6
Swindon	30	8	2394	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>14758</b>	<b>59</b>
Ex-Officio		8		5
Bishop's Nominees		5		5
Co-opted		5		5
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>73</b>		<b>74</b>

The Minimum no. of Diocesan Synod members is 100; maximum 270:

The following would give approximately 150 members and would balance with Laity in the majority:

$$1:3.6 \boxed{73} \quad 1:250 \boxed{74} \quad = \quad 147 \quad + \quad 2 \text{ Bishop: } 149$$

This Synod is also asked to approve that the method of voting in the 2018 elections shall be by the Single Transferrable Vote.