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**NOMINATION FOR ELECTION TO DIOCESAN BOARD OF PATRONAGE (01/01/2025 – 31/12/2031)**

**HOUSE OF LAITY**

**ELECTION OF 5 LAY MEMBERS**

We the proposer and seconder, each being qualified electors and members of the House Laity of Bristol Diocesan Synod, nominate the following person as a candidate to Diocesan Board of Patronage.

**Candidate’s Details**

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| Candidate’s full name and title |  |
| Candidate’s address |  |

**Proposer & Seconder Details**

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| Proposer’s signature |  |
| Proposer’s full name |  |
| Address |  |

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| Seconder’s signature |  |
| Seconder’s full name |  |
| Address |  |

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I, the above named declare that I am not subject to any disqualification referred to in the notes on this form and signify my willingness to serve as a member of the Diocesan Board of Patronage, if elected.

This nomination form must be received by the Governance Support Team by 12 noon on 30/08/2024 to:

* In hard copy format, i.e. printed, physically signed and sent by post to the Governance Support Team, Diocesan Office, Hillside House, 1500 Parkway North, Stoke Gifford, Bristol, BS34 8YU)
* Printed, physically signed by candidate, proposer and seconder, scanned and sent by email to [governance.support@bristoldiocese.org](mailto:governance.support@bristoldiocese.org)
* Completed electronically by the candidate having sought agreement from proposer and seconder and sent to [governance.support@bristoldiocese.org](mailto:synod.election@bristoldiocese.org) We will then contact the proposer and seconder to verify their nominations.
* You can submit a supporting statement of no more than 100 words. This may include any relevant experience and information. This supporting statement should be sent to the Governance Support Team ([governance.support@bristoldiocese.org](mailto:governance.support@bristoldiocese.org)) by 12 noon on 29/08/2024 and will be circulated to qualified electors.

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Diocese of Bristol

**DIOCESAN BOARD OF PATRONAGE - COMPOSITION**

MEMBERS

A. EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

The Diocesan Bishop

B. ELECTED MEMBERS

(a) Clergy

3 clerks in Holy Orders beneficed in or licensed to any parish in the diocese elected by the house of clergy of the diocesan synod by the method of single transferable vote. An archdeacon shall not be qualified to be elected as a clergy member.

(b) Laity

5 lay people elected by the house of laity of that synod by the method of the single transferable vote

C. CO-OPTED MEMBERS

There is no provision to co-opt additional members.

D. For the purpose of transacting any business relating to a particular benefice, the archdeacon in whose archdeaconry, and both chairs of the deanery synod of the deanery in which, that benefice is, should attend.

Meeting dates

Whilst it is a requirement for each Diocese to have a Diocesan Board of Patronage, the Diocesan Patronage Board will only operate when there is some dispute over Patronage – this does not happen often.

**NOTES**

1 Candidates need **not** themselves be members of Diocesan Synod but must be nominated by members of the House of Laity for Diocesan Synod.

2. An election of **5 (in total)** lay members of the Diocesan Board of Patronage will be held between 10/10/2024 – 31/10/2024.

3 A lay candidate must be an actual communicant aged 16 or over, and on the Electoral Roll of a Parish in the Deanery, or on the community roll of a cathedral church in the Deanery, or part of a worshipping community involved in a mission initiative in the Deanery.