

The Anglican Church of Australia

Special Session of the General Synod

Saturday 26 July 2025



Message from the General Secretary

Special Session of General Synod – Saturday 26 July 2025 (11.00am AEST)

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To all General Synod Members

Thank you for registering to attend the Special Session of General Synod in 2025.

Session Information

Full details of the program and resources will be available and updated on the General Synod website.

Information can be accessed at the General Synod website page for General Synod Sessions:
<https://anglican.org.au/the-general-synod/general-synod-sessions/>

Legislation

The *Bill for the General Synod Presence (Amendment) Canon 2025* and *Explanatory Memorandum* can be accessed on the General Synod Session page.

Please note – the Explanatory Memorandum has been updated since first published in April. It provides additional information including the resolution passed by the General Synod in 2022 calling for amendments to the Canon.

[LINK](#) - Bill for the General Synod Presence (Amendment) Canon 2025 and Explanatory Memorandum (EM updated)

Also published is a copy of the Canon showing the proposed amendments in tracked changes.

[LINK](#) – General Synod Presence Canon 2022 with proposed amendments tracked

Order of Business

The Order of Business for the Special Session is now published on the General Synod website.

Amendments to the Bill

A proposal to amend the Bill must be received five days prior to the session – by 9.00am on Monday 21 July. To propose an amendment – please complete and submit an amendment proposal to gsoffice@anglican.org.au by the due date. The amendment proposal form ([LINK](#)) can be downloaded from the General Synod Session page on the website.

An amendment sheet, detailing all proposed amendments received will be published on 24 July 2025.

Members of General Synod

Also published on the General Synod website page is a list of General Synod members as confirmed in response to the Primate's mandate circulated for this session of Synod.

How to connect and participate in the online Session

Detailed advice on how to connect and participate in the Session using the Zoom webinar tool and electronic voting will be circulated to all members on 24 July 2025.

General Synod Enquiries – General Synod Office

If you have any questions or require assistance, please contact:

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I look forward to seeing you online and working together to ensure a successful Special Session of the General Synod.

Anne Hywood, General Secretary

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