

Constitutions of Area Mission and Pastoral Committees

Approved Bishop's Council July 2014; reviewed, amended and proposed to Diocesan Synod 2016.

Shrewsbury Area Mission and Pastoral Committee (ShAMPC)

- Reviewed by AMPC 05/11/20 and agreed to keep the constitution the same.
- Reviewed by AMPC 21/01/21 and agreed to add the Associate Archdeacon of Salop to the membership of this committee. Approved by DMPC on 04/02/21 and Diocesan Synod on 13/03/21.
- Reviewed by AMPC 16/01/25 and agreed to keep the constitution the same.

Membership of ShAMPC

1. The Bishop of Shrewsbury (ex-officio and Chair)
2. The Archdeacon of Salop (ex-officio)
3. The Associate Archdeacon(s) of Salop (ex-officio)
4. Additionally four clergy and ~~four~~six laity chosen as below:
 - i) One clergy membership (**Chris Precious**) and one lay membership (**Malcolm Maclean**) to be offered to the Shrewsbury Area members of Bishop's Council for their joint agreement as to who should become members of the SAMPC.
 - ii) One clergy membership (**Adam Clayton**) to be offered to Shrewsbury Area Rural/Area Deans, for their joint agreement as to who should become a clergy member of the SAMPC, and one lay post (**Richard Page**) to be offered to Shrewsbury Area Deanery Lay Chairs for their joint agreement as to who should become a lay member of the SAMPC
 - iii) The ~~four~~six remaining memberships (two clergy [**Linda Cox & Andy Knight**], ~~two~~four lay [**Sandra Birchall & John Naylor**]) shall be nominees of the Area Bishop and/or Archdeacon, taking account, if possible, of the demographic spread of the archdeaconry.

If any of the above memberships cannot be filled as described in (i), (ii) or (iii) above, the Area Bishop and/or Archdeacon may nominate to fill the post to meet the requirements of balance.

In attendance:

- *The Minutes Secretary*
- *The Diocesan Pastoral Officer*

Procedures and practice of ShAMPC

Term of office - Bishop's Council members will be reviewed at the triennium. For nominated members, their membership will be reviewed every three years by the Area Bishop.

Quorum - A quorum will be 50% of the SAMPC membership, which must include one ex-officio member. The Chair may have a casting vote.

Note: Rural Deans may be substituted by Assistant Rural Deans and Lay Chairs by Assistant Lay Chairs. However assistants do not have voting rights. Their presence is to ensure continuity of communication.

Rural Dean or Lay Chair may request that their assistant becomes the formal replacement for them on the Committee and the AMPC will consider such a request. If agreed the assistant will have voting rights.

Non-member Rural Deans/Lay Chairs may be invited to attend meetings relating to matters affecting their specific deaneries but shall not have a vote.

Frequency of Meetings - At least four times each year. The dates of meeting to be decided in the light of the dates of meeting of the LDMPC.