
Nominations and Election to the Diocesan Board of Education

September 2024

Manchester Diocesan Board of Education

Nominations and Election

Nominations are now invited for membership of the Manchester Diocesan Board of Education Election process which will be held in September/October 2024. Please see the Election Timetable as set out on page 5 of this document.

Before completing the nomination form (which can be found on Page 6 of this document) and the pen portrait form (which can be found on page 7 of this document), please check carefully the accompanying notes for the eligibility criteria (which can be found on Page 4 of this document) to submit a nomination. The person nominated must have consented to serve.

The proposer and seconder must be members of the Diocesan Synod.

Nominations must be returned via email or hardcopy format to:

The Reverend Fr Alan J. Simpson
Diocesan Governance Manager and Diocesan Electoral Registration Officer
St John's House
155-163 The Rock
Bury
BL9 0ND

Email: elections@manchester.anglican.org (please do not send nominations to Fr. Alan's direct email address).

Nominations must be received not later than **5pm on Friday, 27th September 2024**

The Manchester Diocesan Board of Education

Chair: The Bishop of Middleton

Key Officer: Director of Education

The Board has responsibility for all matters concerned with the Diocese's relationship with schools and colleges, both Further and Higher Education; and the church's work with children and young people. The Board meets three times a year but with additional sub-committee meetings members are expected to attend.

Functions:

- (i) to promote or assist in the promotion of education in the diocese, being education which is consistent with the faith and practice of the Church of England;
- (ii) to promote or assist in the promotion of religious education and religious worship in schools in the diocese;
- (iii) to promote or assist in the promotion of church schools in the diocese and to advise the governors of such schools and trustees of church educational endowments and any other body or person concerned on any matter affecting church schools in the diocese;
- (iv) to promote cooperation between the Board and bodies or persons concerned in any respect with education in the diocese;
- (v) the functions assigned to the Board by this Diocesan Board of Education Measure; and
- (vi) such other functions not contrary to the Measure as are assigned to the Board by the diocesan synod, other than functions relating to church schools or church educational endowments.

Manchester Diocese has a very significant stake in education, with more children in church schools than any other diocese. There are major challenges for the church in relation to children and young people and the Board is crucial in developing strategies to meet those challenges. It needs members with a passion for education and a passion for the Gospel, committed to doing right for the children and young people of the diocese.

Membership of the Board of Education

- ONE Clerical and ONE Lay person to be elected from each Archdeaconry, by Houses of Clergy and Laity respectively.
- The Proposer, Seconder and Candidate must be from the same Archdeaconry.
- The Proposer, Seconder and Candidate must be from the same House.
- Candidates **need not** be members of Diocesan Synod.
- The Proposer and Seconder must be members of Diocesan Synod.

The Board of Education constitution is as follows:

Chair: The Bishop of Middleton

Ex-Officio: The Lord Bishop of Manchester

Elected by the Diocesan Synod

Bolton Archdeaconry

1 clergy vacancy

1 lay vacancy

Manchester Archdeaconry

1 clergy vacancy

1 lay vacancy

Rochdale Archdeaconry

1 clergy vacancy

1 lay vacancy

Salford Archdeaconry

1 clergy vacancy

1 lay vacancy

Bishop's Nominees (2)

2 vacancies

Co-opted: (4)

4 vacancies

Timetable for Nominations/Election to Diocesan Board of Education

For the new triennium: August 2024 – December 2027

Friday, 6th September 2024	Initial notification of the election to Diocesan/Deanery synod members and invitation to nominate candidates
Friday, 27th September 2024	Last day for nomination of candidates – 5pm

If more candidates are nominated than available places, an election will be held:

Monday, 30th September 2024	Voting papers will be sent to all relevant voters
Wednesday, 23rd October 2024	Last day for receipt of voting papers – 5pm
Thursday, 24th October 2024	Counting of the votes
Friday, 25th October 2024	Publication of results of election
Friday, 25th October 2024	Newly elected members take up posts (The first Board meeting is scheduled for November 2024)
Early – November 2024	Review of any outstanding vacancies

Election of Members to the Diocesan Board of Education

We the undersigned hereby nominate the following person as a candidate:

*Surname	*Christian names	*Address and Postcode
		Tel:
		Email:
		Deanery:
		House of Clergy/Laity:

PROPOSER

Signature:

Full name:

Address:

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Current Deanery:

SECONDER

Signature:

Full name:

Address:

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Current Deanery:

CANDIDATE

*I, the above named hereby signify my willingness to serve as a member of the DBE if elected.

Signature:

Candidates are requested to provide a pen portrait of up to 250 words below and a recent photograph - this will be circulated to the relevant electors if an election is required.

The pen portrait is an opportunity to introduce yourself and should contain a brief biography and also explain your reasons for standing for membership of the Manchester Diocesan Board of Education.

This nomination must be delivered via **POSTAL/EMAIL SUBMISSION** to:

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