

# *Transforming Worship: Living the New Creation*



## **Summary of Recommendations**

### **Recommendations to dioceses**

1. We recommend that every diocese should have a Diocesan Liturgical Committee or equivalent group, which should relate directly to the bishop. (5.1.7)
2. We recommend that diocesan plans for future growth in mission and ministry should pay explicit attention to the kinds of liturgical development that will help the people of the diocese to worship God better. (5.1.8)
3. We recommend that bishops, DLCs and CME departments use existing regional structures to deliver programmes of liturgical formation. (5.1.9)
4. We recommend that diocesan CME officers draw up a comprehensive programme of liturgical training for IME 4-7, based on the skills and competencies mentioned in para. 4.4.6. (5.4.9)
5. We recommend that dioceses put in place continuing training and support for training incumbents and curates. (5.4.9)

### **Recommendations to Diocesan Liturgical Committees and others**

6. We recommend that DLCs pay special attention to supporting mutual learning and critical thinking among parishes using new media in worship. (6.8.3)
7. We recommend that congregations attend to the ways in which they can provide for the inclusion of children fully in their worship, and that Diocesan Liturgical Committees and Diocesan Children's Work Advisers ensure they are resourced to support churches as they seek to engage with this. (6.9.2)

8. We recommend the development of partnerships between Diocesan Liturgical Committees, Praxis regions, Diocesan Boards of Education, Children's Work Advisers, and the Godly Play (UK) Trust in forwarding strategic approaches to the liturgical formation of children through 'Godly Play'. (6.9.7)

### **Recommendations to bishops**

9. We encourage bishops to use existing opportunities – such as cell groups or regional bishops' meetings – to reflect together on the ways in which they try to promote good liturgy within their dioceses. (5.1.3)
10. We recommend that, as far as resources allow, bishops make conscious and systematic use of their parish visits to encourage more thoughtful planning of liturgy by parishes. (5.1.5)
11. We recommend that bishops use the opportunity of the revision of ministerial review procedures to help individual ministers to reflect on their own experience of leading liturgy, and, where necessary, to challenge them to develop better practice. (5.1.6)
12. We recommend that archbishops and bishops should give attention to the use of the BCP at episcopal services – ordinations, consecrations, and confirmations – where this is especially appropriate. (6.1.3)

### **Recommendation to the House of Bishops CME Committee**

13. We recommend that the role of the Bishop in liturgy should be a priority for episcopal continuing ministerial education, and ask the House of Bishops CME Committee to develop a programme of liturgical training for those newly ordained to the episcopate and those already established in episcopal ministry. (5.1.4)

### **Recommendations to deaneries**

14. We recommend that every deanery or local unit of ministry develop a liturgical formation strategy to assist with the liturgical formation of 'mission communities'. (5.2.5)
15. We recommend that every deanery chapter think of ways in which its members can help one another to broaden their experience of good liturgy, in a variety of traditions. (5.2.6)
16. We recommend that parish churches which already have a tradition of BCP use should be encouraged to use as wide a range of BCP provision as possible. (6.1.2)

### **Recommendation to local ecumenical gatherings of ministers**

17. We recommend that local ecumenical gatherings of ministers take stock of opportunities for shared liturgical formation. (6.3.3)

### **Recommendations to cathedrals**

18. We recommend that, as far as resources allow, cathedrals should become centres of liturgical formation in music and liturgy, working in partnership, where applicable, with DLCs and diocesan advisers in liturgy. (5.3.3)
19. We recommend that cathedral chapters and councils engage in a conversation, both within themselves and with interested outside parties, about the questions set out in para. 5.3.4.

### **Recommendation to the Ministry Division**

20. We recommend that an agreed set of core practical competencies and skills for IME 1-3 be drawn up to support the learning outcomes in *Shaping the Future*. (5.4.4)
21. We recommend that those preparing for ordained ministry should be given consistent exposure to the BCP, and should be better grounded in its historical and theological context. (6.1.4)

### **Recommendation to Regional Training Partnerships**

22. We recommend that RTPs examine the most effective means of deploying the liturgical teaching skills present within their partnerships. (5.4.5)

### **Recommendation to current providers of Reader training**

23. We recommend that all current providers of Reader training re-visit the liturgical aspects of their courses and look in particular at how they might best make use of the skills available within the emerging RTPs. (5.4.10)

### **Recommendation to Praxis**

24. We recommend that the Praxis Regions, in association with Diocesan Liturgical Committees (DLCs) or equivalent, consider becoming agents for the delivery of training in IME 4-7 within Dioceses and Regions.

### **Recommendation to the National Society**

25. We recommend that the National Society work with the Liturgical Commission, dioceses, and RTPs, to train and resource ministers in preparing and leading school worship. (5.5.3)

### **Recommendation to the Hospital Chaplaincies Council**

26. We recommend that the Hospital Chaplaincies Council, and Diocesan Healing Groups should expand their existing work in the provision of training for those ministers who minister to patients in hospital. (5.6.2)

### **Recommendation to the Central Religious Advisory Council**

27. We recommend that the Central Religious Advisory Committee continue to monitor carefully the amount of broadcast live worship. (6.14.4)

### **General Recommendations**

28. We recommend that disability access audit action plans should be reviewed by every PCC or cathedral chapter, specifically from the point of view of access to participation in the liturgy. (6.10.2)
29. We recommend that those who are responsible for liturgical training or planning, at any level of the Church's life, build closer mutual relationships with those who have responsibility for broadcast worship. (6.14.4)