

Paper A1

AAC Report

Assembly arrangements committee

Basic information

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Action required	None.
Draft resolution(s)	None.

Summary of content

Subject and aim(s)	Assembly 2020.
Main points	Plans for 2020 are coming together well.
Previous documents	Paper A1 at Mission Council in May 2019.
Consultation has taken place with...	Children and youth; Communications; Equalities; West Midlands Synod.

Summary of impact

Financial	We appear to be keeping close to budget.
External (e.g. ecumenical)	This is a significant dimension of Assembly.

1. All accommodation for the General Assembly in Birmingham has now been booked. Slightly over half of the members will be accommodated in Conference Aston premises with the others in one of two hotels nearby.
2. As far as possible all documentation relating to the Assembly will be circulated electronically, but hard copy will be available for those who request it.
3. All meals will be provided in the Conference Aston dining room, except breakfast for those staying in hotels. During the day tea, coffee and light refreshments will be available to purchase from two coffee bars which are adjacent to the main Assembly hall.
4. For the first time, the main act of worship on Sunday morning will be live streamed to enable congregations and individuals to share in this event, which will include the induction of the new General Secretary. Members of Local Churches close to the Assembly Hall will be welcome to join with the Assembly on that occasion, but by the use of live streaming others farther away will also be able to share in this event.