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#### Basic Information

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<b>Action required</b>	Decision
<b>Draft resolution(s)</b>	<b>In receiving the report of the committee, Mission Council accepts the plans it has made for the 2016 General Assembly</b>

#### Summary of Content

<b>Subject and aim(s)</b>	Proposals about the running of Assembly in 2016 and the location and date of Assembly in 2018
<b>Main points</b>	See report
<b>Previous relevant documents</b>	Report and minutes from Mission Council, November 2015
<b>Consultation has taken place with...</b>	The synods

#### Summary of Impact

<b>Financial</b>	See paras 1 and 2 below re costs for Southport in 2016. In regard to para 3, meeting at Nottingham in 2018 should be less costly, overall, than Southport
<b>External (e.g. ecumenical)</b>	None at the moment.

# Report of the Assembly arrangements committee

1. Following the debate on meals at the last Mission Council, enquiries as to the possibility of an evening meal being made available in the Conference Centre in Southport were made. It is possible to provide a basic hot meal in the centre, this to be eaten at tables in the main hall. The cost of providing an evening meal on every evening Assembly meets would be £10,500. This cannot be fully met from within the Assembly budget. The committee has heard the wish of Mission Council to make some provision and will be able to provide an evening meal on the Saturday of the Assembly. However, members of the Assembly will be responsible for their own evening meals on the Friday and Sunday.
2. Following the request to synods that they accept responsibility for the travel and additional accommodation costs of their members, a large majority of the synods have responded and most of these responses have been positive.
3. The committee has made a provisional booking for the Assembly to meet in the Albert Hall, Nottingham, from 6 to 9 July 2018 and will move accordingly in Assembly.

