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### **Why vote for me?**

- I am committed about ensuring all lay people in Newcastle Diocese are up to date with what happens in General Synod. I am very keen to work with the Diocese to get discussion and feedback about important issues that will no doubt be coming up in the next 5 years.
- I have a long and varied experience of the church in rural, urban and suburban parishes.
- I have attended and been part of the life of St George's for more than 5 years and also been part of the church in Byker and Walker as a volunteer for church community projects such as Youth Cafe and East Area Asylum Seekers Support Group.

### **What do I stand for?**

- I stand for a fully inclusive church which is generous, welcoming and open. A church where everyone is able to fully participate in the membership and leadership of the church, regardless of gender, ethnicity, wealth, sexual orientation or disability. I am also personally a member of Inclusive Church, as is St George's, Jesmond. I believe we are all made in God's image and feel it is so important to grow our church through our true and genuine welcome to new and returning people.

### **What would I bring to the role?**

- A prayerful and open attitude to contentious issues and a commitment to listening and discerning a positive way forward for all.
- A diverse experience of worshipping and living in very different parishes

- A passion for open discussion about church matters
- Energy and enthusiasm for taking the church forward

**What sort of experience do I have?**

- Teaching Sunday school for over 4 years.
- Taught part of the Faith and Life programme for the Diocese.
- Regularly volunteer at St Michaels' Byker for the Youth Cafe.
- Trustee of Byker Aspire, which works to further the community work the church is involved in, in Byker.
- Member of the PCC of St George, Jesmond.
- Member of the Learning, Discipleship and Service Committee and Children and Young People's Committee at St George's.
- Member of the Evangelism Task Group for Newcastle Diocese; supporting the delivery of mission action plans, mission weekends and other facilitating work with PCC's to help them with these tasks.
- Elected member of both Deanery Synod and Diocesan Synod