

Helmsley Deanery Synod

NOTES OF THE FOURTH JOINT HELMSLEY DEANERY/RYEDALE METHODIST CIRCUIT MEETING HELD AT CHURCH HOUSE, KIRKBYMOORSIDE ON TUESDAY 18TH MAY 2004 AT 7.30 PM

1. "WORKING TOGETHER – WHAT NEXT?"

Thirteen members of Synod joined with members of the Ryedale Methodist Circuit to explore ways in which the two traditions could work more closely together. Opening prayers were lead by Susan Greenwood following which Michael Burch reminded us of what had already been achieved including the signing of the Joint Covenants and the impetus given by the Third Anglican-Methodist Joint Synod at Askham Bryan College on 24th April. Refreshments were then held at which members got to know each other better which was then followed by discussions within geographic groupings to explore the further moves that could be made based on the paper "The Art of the Possible" (previously sent to all members with the agenda). The discussions were positive and it was decided that progress at working more closely together would be assessed at next year's joint meeting.

2. ARRANGEMENTS FOR NEXT MEETINGS

- a. **Deanery Synod Standing Committee.** This will be held at The Rectory, Kirkbymoorside at 2.15 pm on Wednesday 1st September.
- b. **Deanery Synod.** This will be held in Helmsley Town Hall at 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm on Tuesday 12th October. An agenda will be issued later.

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Deanery Synod Secretary

30 June 2004

Distribution:

All Synod Members
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