

Diocesan Synod Memo No. 7

Synod Survey by Members of Synod

Members of Synod who attended the second session of Synod have received an email inviting them to complete a survey of the Synod. **This will close on Monday 14 June.** The survey will assist the Synod Working Party to prepare for the next phase of Synod Session Three – Implementation to be held on 20 November.

Synod Paper

Synod Members voted on the Diocesan Synod Papers – *Building the Kingdom of God Together – Our Journey* at the Synod Session Two on 22 May.

The voting results for the Five Foundation Papers can be found below.

Please note that the following two modifications were accepted at Synod and need to be made in your copy of the Synod Papers, and an error to one recommendation was noted in the printed version.

Modifications:

Mission and Outreach

Re-wording of 2.1

MO 2.1 - That we explore way to create localised collaborative hubs that would provide a holistic caring response to social needs. – Adopted

Re-wording of 3.10

MO 3.10 - That parishes and agencies of the diocese embrace the teachings of Pope Francis regarding those on the margins, especially the poor, and reach out to all those suffering as a result of “the social ills of inequality, injustice and exclusion that afflict so many” (Pope Francis, 30 Sep 2020) - Adopted

Leadership and Structure

Error Noted to LS 4.1 which was a repeat of LS 2.1

LS 4.1 should read:

FORMATION OF LEADERS

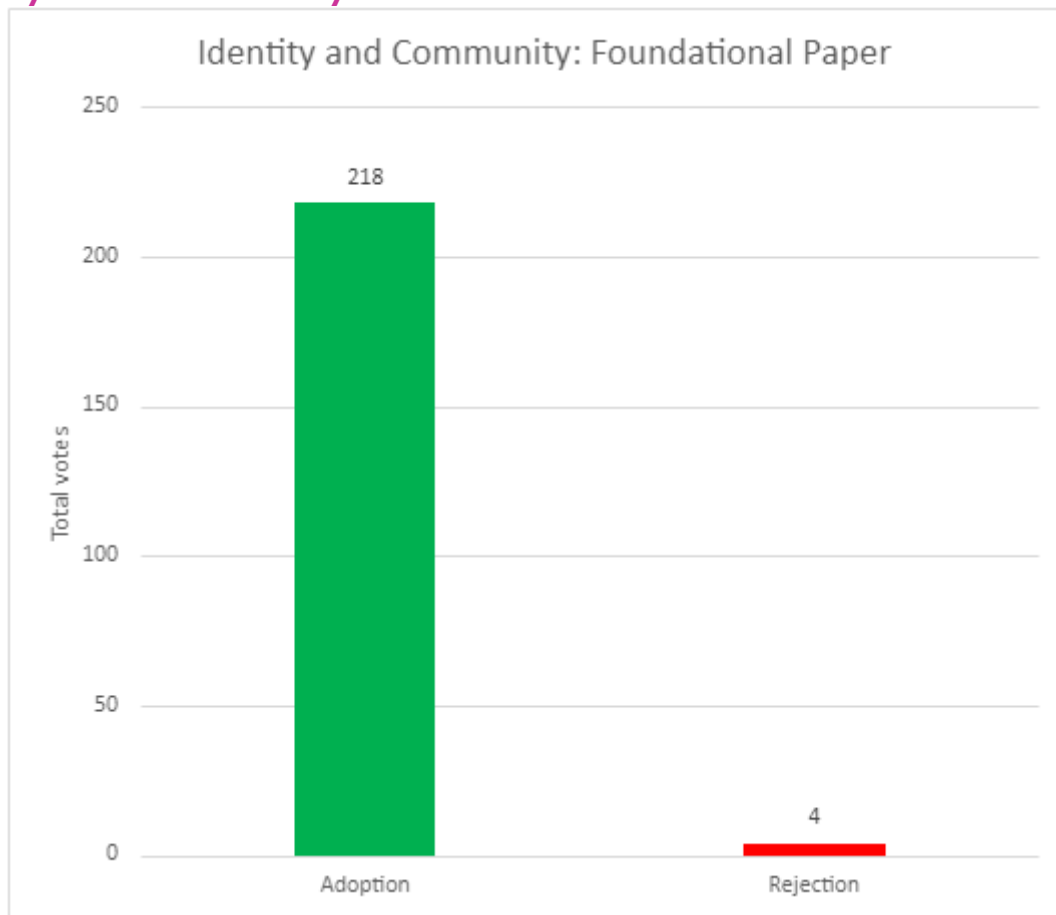
LS 4.1 - That formation programs be implemented for lay and clerical leaders, consistent with the principles and guidelines for renewed leadership, reformed governance, accountability, and transparency. - Accepted

Voting Results of Synod Paper

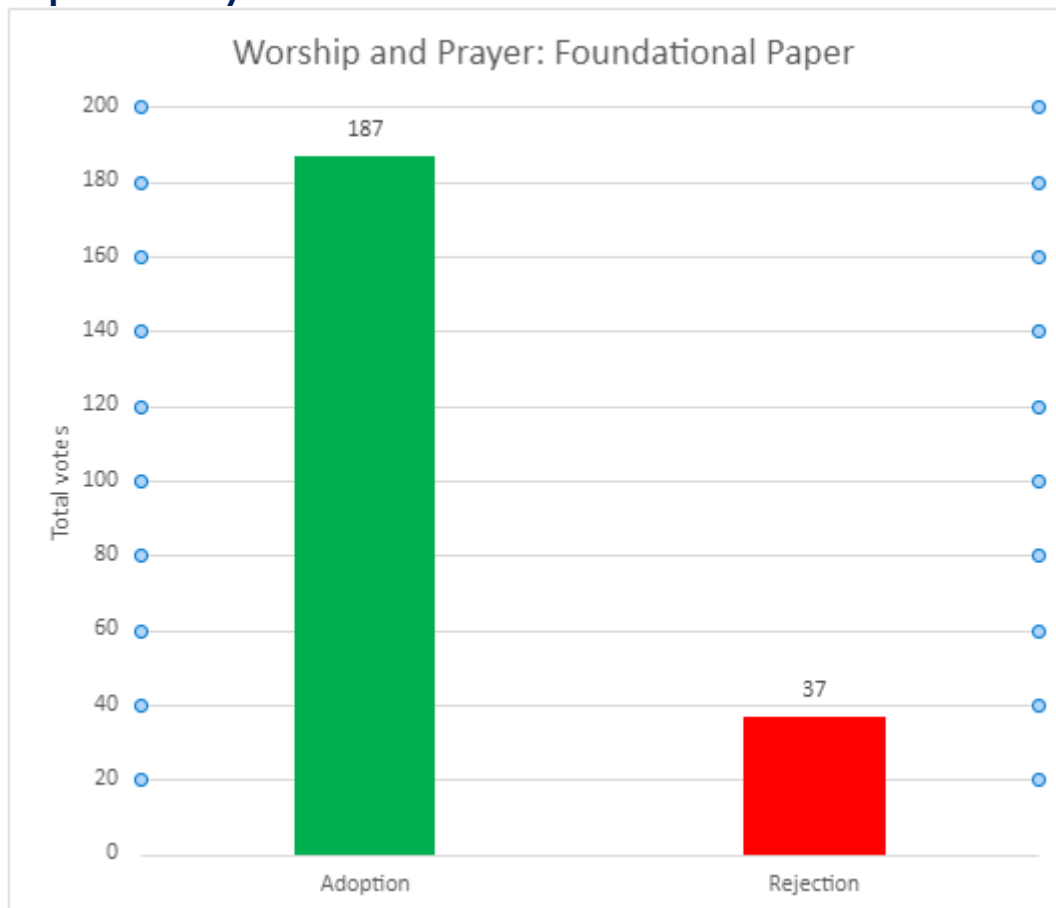
For the Five Foundation Voting results are below.

Synod Session Two – Voting on 22 May 2021

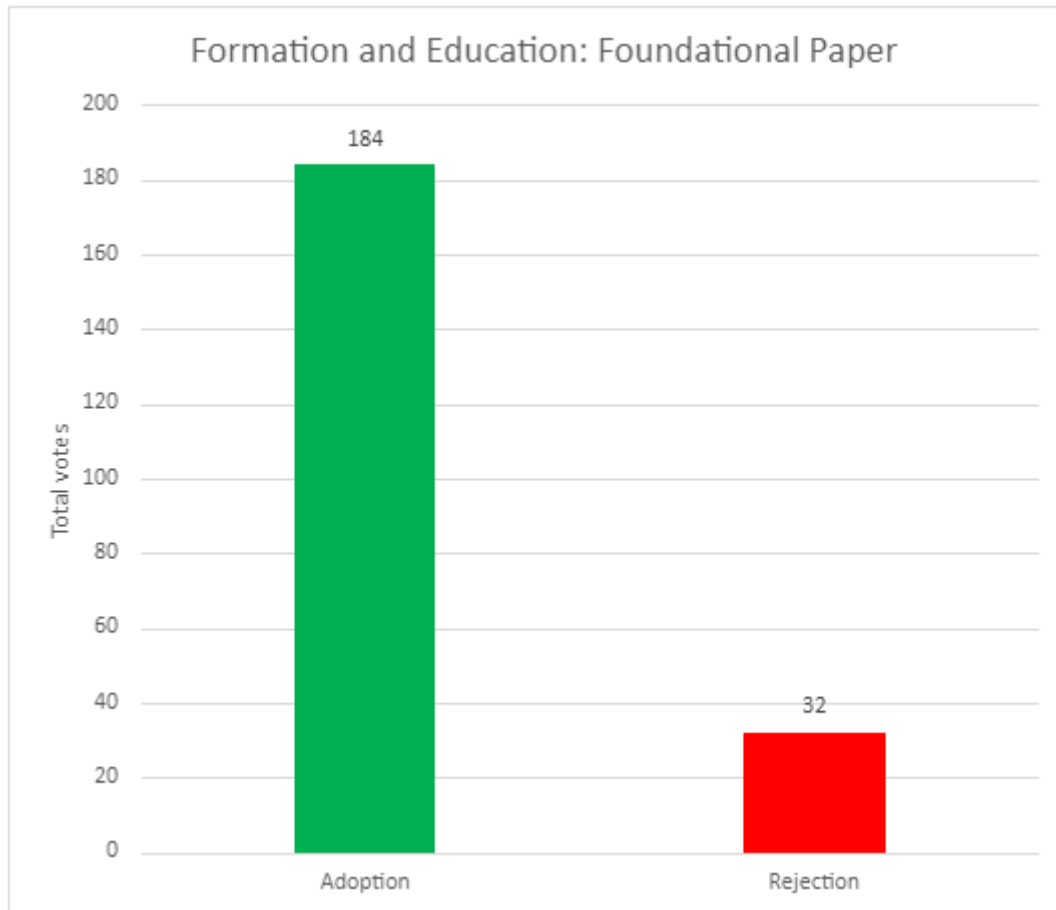
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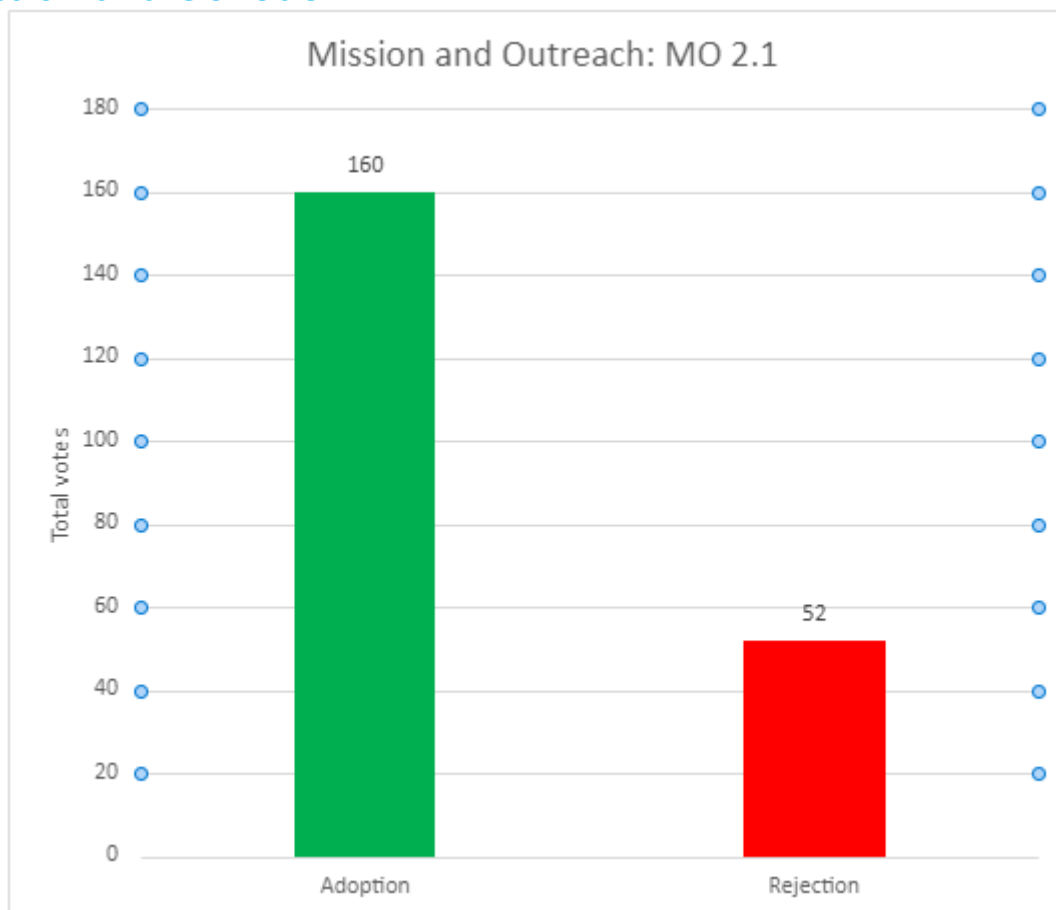
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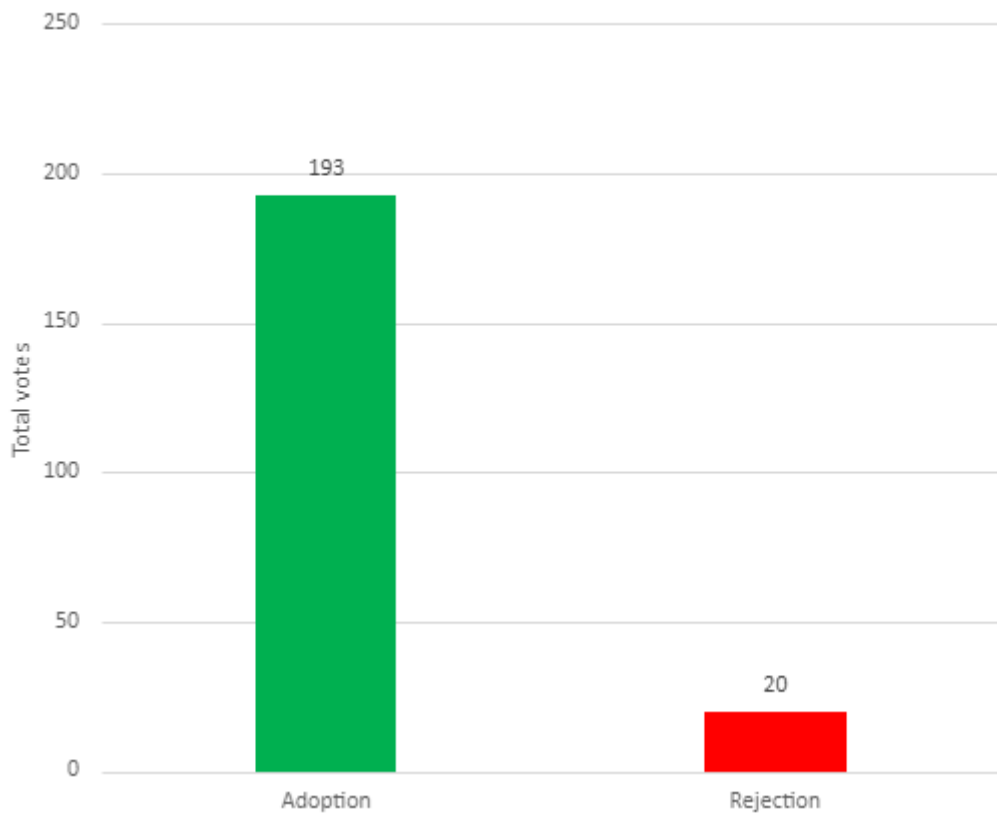
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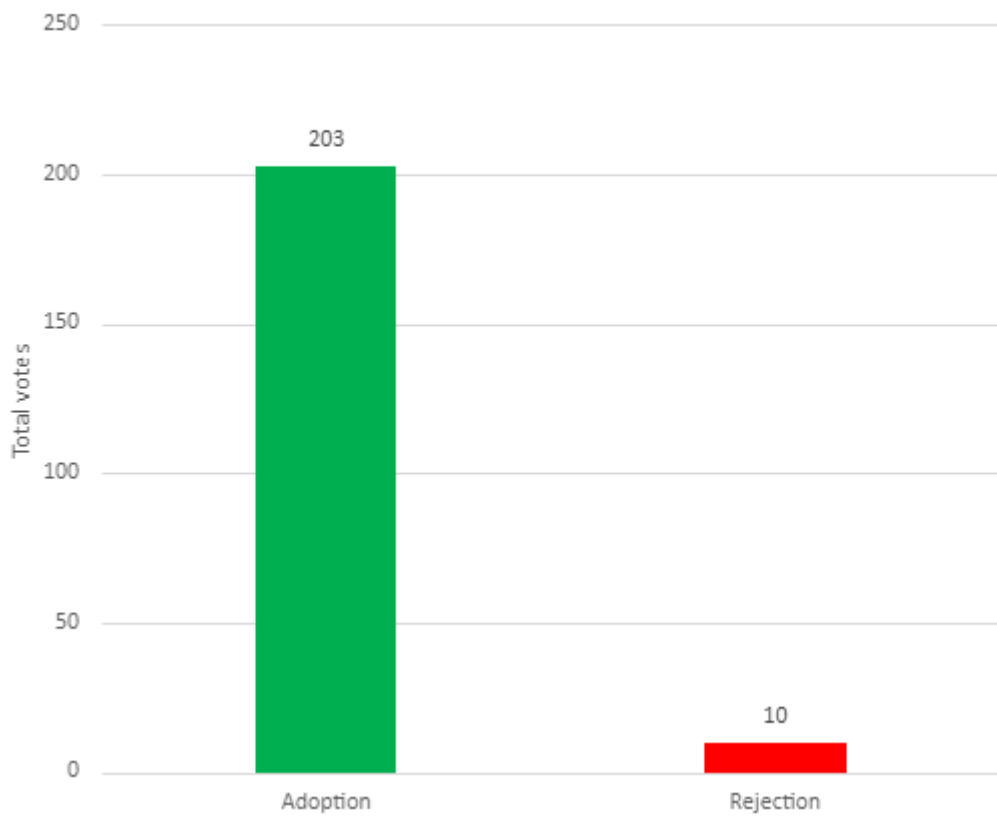
Mission and Outreach



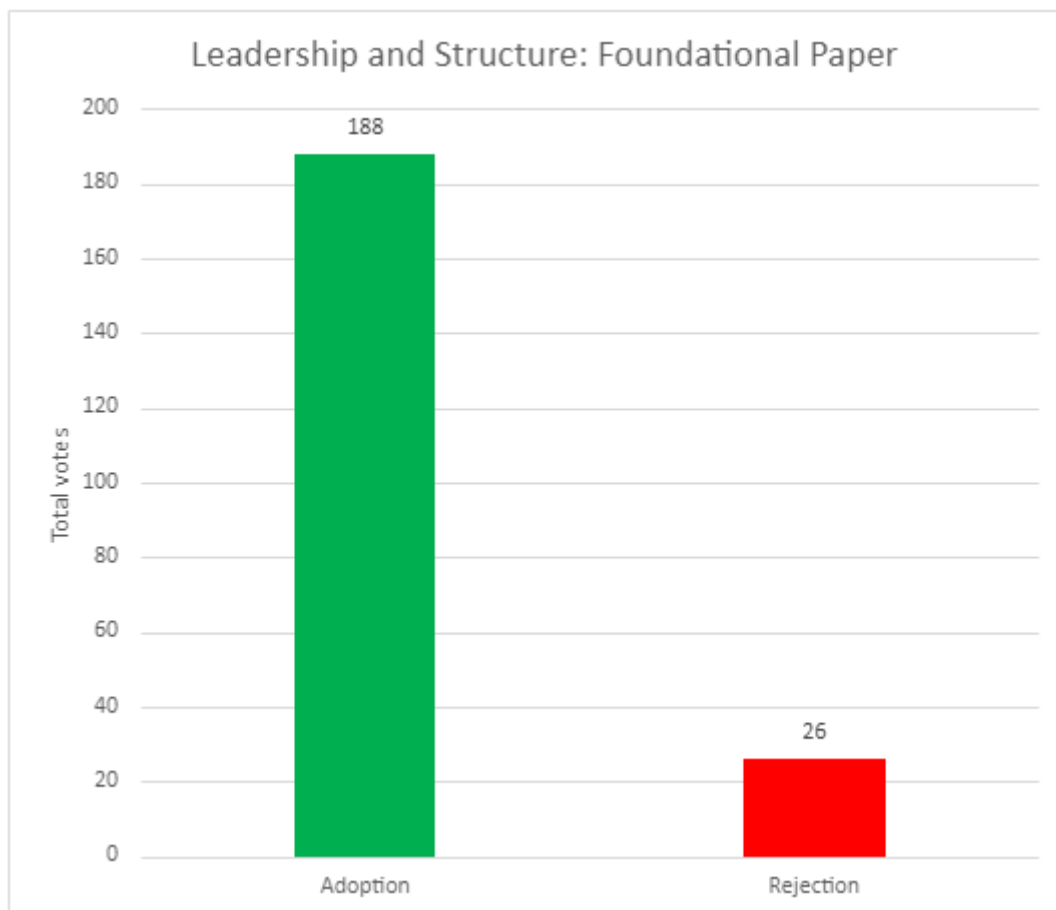
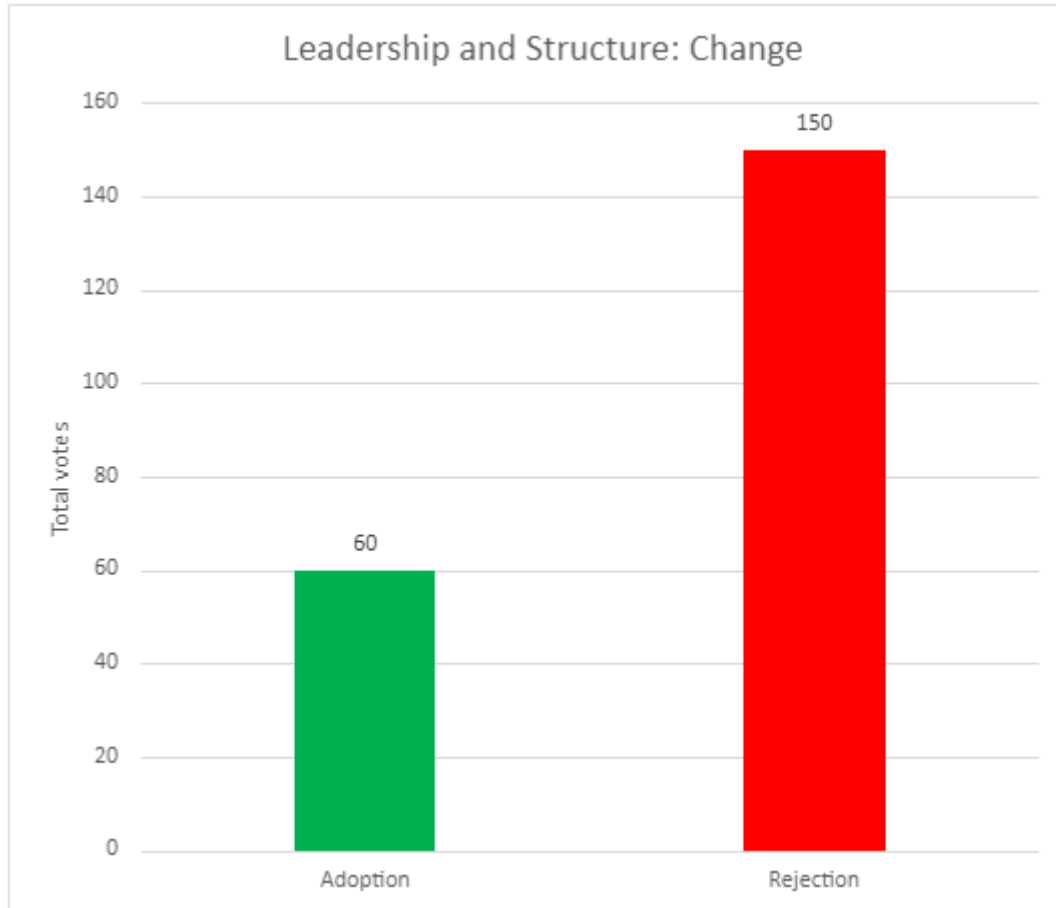
Mission and Outreach: MO 3.10



Mission and Outreach: Foundational Paper



Leadership and Structure



Moving Forward

The Council of Priests and the Council for Mission met on Tuesday 1 June with Bishop Bill to discuss the desired outcomes from the Diocesan Synod and possible ways of getting there.

Notes from this meeting will be tabled at the next meeting of the Diocesan Synod Working Party as they discern the process for engaging with the many aspects of diocesan life in the lead up to the Session Three of Synod, which is planned for Saturday 20 November.

It will be interesting for the Synod Working Party to also receive the feedback from the Diocesan Synod Survey which will also help to inform them of the way forward.

Thank you for your participation so far and your ongoing engagement. Please check the Diocesan Synod Website regularly for updates.