

**Nomination for Representatives to the 2020 Conference in Telford**

**(The Presbyteral Session starts on 25th June; the Representative Session runs from 27th June – 2nd July 2019)**

*Nominations are open to all ministers who are members of the Synod and all lay persons who are members of the Methodist Church in the Southampton District, whether Synod members or not.*

Presbyter [ ] Deacon [ ] Lay [ ] (Please **tick** the appropriate box)

**1 Title** Rev / Deacon / Mr / Mrs / Ms / Miss / other - please state ……………..

**Name** …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

**Address** ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

**Postcode** ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

**Telephone** ………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

**Email Address** ……………………………………………………………………………………………………….

**2 Circuit Name and Number**…………………………………………………………….. 26/…………………

**3 Priority Nomination** [ ]

*Please tick the box if the above person is the representative who will have priority under the agreed District rota system. In 2020 this will apply to:* ***Reading & Basingstoke and Southampton Circuits****.*

**4 Age - on the Date of the Opening of the Representative Session of the Conference**

[ ] Under 25 [ ] 25-44 [ ] 45-64 [ ] 65 and over

**5 Ethnic Origin**

[ ] White - European White - Other [ ] Black - African [ ] Black - Caribbean

[ ] Black - other (please specify) [ ] Indian [ ] Pakistani

[ ] Bangladeshi [ ] Chinese [ ] Other (*please specify*………………………………………….

**6 Special Needs if disabled**……………………………………………………………………………………….

**7 Office in the Church / Circuit / District / Connexion (if any)**……………………………………………...

**8 Number of times attended Conference in the last 10 years** ……………

**Last attended Conference** a) 19\_ \_ b) 20 \_ \_ c) 20 \_ \_ d) 20 \_ \_ e) Never [ ]

 **9 Profession** (if it is regarded as helpful to the nomination) ……………………………………………..

**10 Would you be willing to attend Conference for up to 3 years?** Yes [ ] No [ ]

**11 Why do you wish to attend Conference?** (up to 25 words explanation)

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**Nominated by:** ………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

**Seconded by:** …………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

(both of the above must be members of the Synod)

**This form must be returned by the 15th July 2019 to:**

**Sarah Pothecary, 70 Allbrook Knoll, Boyatt Wood, Eastleigh, SO50 4RY**

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Please note:

1. Nominations will not be accepted on the day of Synod unless the number of nominations received is less than the required number of representatives.
2. The requirements of the Methodist Church's Safeguardingpolicy and SO 010 apply to District representatives to Conference - ie that *'no person who has been convicted of or has received a simple or conditional caution from the police concerning sexual offences against children shall be appointed to any office, post or responsibility or engaged under any contract to which this sub clause applies.'*
3. *SO 417 (2) In electing such representatives members of the Synod shall have regard for the composition of the membership of the District as a whole with regard to age, sex and ethnic origin.*

*(2A) All nominations made under clause 2 above shall be signed by at least two members of the Synod and shall include:*

1. *a proposer or seconder from the circuit in which the nominee is stationed or a member;*
2. *current appointments within the Church if any;*
3. *age at the date fixed for the opening of the Representative Session of the Conference in one of the following groups: under 25; 25-44; 45-64; 65 and over;*
4. *ethnic origin*
5. *up to 25 words of relevant additional information and shall be made available to all members of the Synod then present before a ballot takes place.*