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### **Personal Statement**

I have been a worshipper in the Church of England basically from birth, a period of 62 years. In that time but more especially within the last thirty years, I have had the pleasure or anguish to give lengthy service to both the PCC for All Hallows Church, Gedling and the latterly the Gedling Deanery Synod, and the Diocesan Synod. This year I was honoured to be licensed by the Bishop to the City Hospital Chaplaincy, to give bedside Holy Communion to patients

In my other voluntary career, I was appointed a Magistrate in 2002, and now serve as a Bench Chairman in both the Adult and Youth Courts in Nottingham City and Mansfield. I am also a Community Magistrate, giving lectures to various organisations on the work we do.

My aims and objectives if elected are to serve both the individual and collective needs of the Diocese of Nottingham and Sherwood. Also to support and in any way assist our Bishops, provide true help and facilitation of the aims and objectives of the Diocese, and work in close concord with other support agencies. Clearly all members of the Church of England and especially our own Diocese are a very valuable resource to the community, which must not be denigrated, abused, neglected or overlooked. Based on my profile, experience, competence, enthusiasm and educational background, I consider I have the precise level of professionalism, commitment and skills to bring to the office of General Synod. I am able and willing to support, and facilitate the views and opinions of the members I would represent whilst upholding the importance and dignity of what we all do as worshippers. This positive approach, I feel, will both enhance my perception of the work undertaken by the General Synod and enable me to embrace a positive impact this work deserves. The Church of England is a resource which should be appreciated and I fully support the preservation of what we do, the dignity of the Church, and the full Anglican system.