Resolution on Climate Justice by Anglican Consultative Council

Please find below the text for the ACC resolutions on ACEN, Climate Resilience, and the SDG Strategy.

A17:05 Anglican Communion Environmental Network

The Anglican Consultative Council:

- 1. Recognises that there is a global climate emergency
- 2. Encourages Member Churches to make the Fifth Mark of Mission, 'To strive to safeguard the integrity of creation, and sustain and renew the life of the earth', a living testament to our faith, and calls upon Member Churches to:
- a. Promote a day during the Season of Creation as a day of public repentance
- b. Develop an action plan and resources for sustainable living at individual, parish, diocesan and provincial level; including policies and procedures to minimise waste, increase use of renewable energies, and incorporate creation care into liturgical practice
- c. Prepare a Lenten Fast for Creation
- d. Hold strategic planning conferences on the Sustainable Development Goals and Climate Change, ensuring the involvement of Indigenous, youth, and women's voices, and to report back to ACC18
- e. Identify environmental and climate-related threats in their context and to develop or adapt existing tools on disaster preparedness and mitigation.
- 3. Encourages the organisers of the Lambeth Conference 2020 to make the conference as environmentally sustainable as possible.

A17.06 Climate resilience

The Anglican Consultative Council:

- 1. Celebrates the work undertaken by some Member Churches and the Anglican Communion Environmental Network to shift messaging and action from climate vulnerability to climate resilience
- 2. Regrets that the ongoing impacts of climate change are yet to be adequately resourced or responded to with due seriousness or urgency by all Member Churches, and therefore commits immediately to:
- a. Recognising the important role of Indigenous/First Nation peoples' knowledge in building resilience to climate change in communities

- b. Encouraging Member Churches to prioritise investment in resources to support education, training and activism in addressing climate change
- c. Encouraging Member Churches to identify and assist actively the most at-risk communities within the Anglican Communion
- d. Encouraging Member Churches to develop a strategy for climate-induced disaster preparedness, emergency relief and post-disaster rehabilitation
- 3. Calls on the Anglican Alliance to work with the Secretary General, Anglican Communion relief and development agencies, and relevant sections of the Anglican Communion Office to coordinate an implementation report on this resolution to the Standing Committee, before ACC18.

A17:11 Sustainable Development Goals

The Anglican Consultative Council:

- 1. Notes the significant role that was played by the Member Churches and agencies of the Anglican Communion in pursuit of the Millennium Development Goals between 2000–2015
- 2. Recognises the urgency and global significance of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (known as Agenda 2030), as the successor framework to the Millennium Development Goals
- 3. Encourages Member Churches and agencies of the Anglican Communion, in the context of their own holistic mission, to continue and extend their contribution to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals through both delivery and advocacy
- 4. Requests that the Secretary General reports to the Standing Committee, no later than its first meeting in 2020, on a 10-year strategy on Anglican Communion engagement with the Sustainable Development Goals.