

## **Report of Secretary General**

This will be my last report as Secretary General as we move towards adopting the proposal to restructure the Governing Body.

The sub-committee which was set up to review and consolidate the feedback from the Reader survey and then produce a draft constitution have worked tirelessly. I wish to thank the Assistant Secretary Generals, Marion Hewis and Nigel Bacon, for all their work over the past year and Nigel in particular, whose energy and enthusiasm has been indefatigable.

I would also like to thank John Marshall and Sally Buck as well for their support, energy and enthusiasm. Sally has ensured that all lay ministry is recognised and valued throughout the Diocese and John has continued to update the Reader website keeping us all well informed of events throughout the Diocese. Marie Isaac in the Diocesan offices has also been working extremely hard on our behalf.

Margaret Smith, Sally and I travelled to the CRC conference back in April and it was really heartening to be amongst so many other committed Readers and supporters of Reader Ministry from across the country. I am sure that new national changes proposed by the Central Reader Council including e-learning will complement the developments taking place in our Diocese.

Shirley Keyes, Secretary General