

Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure 2018

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PART 3

CARE OF CHURCHES ETC.

Role of churchwardens, PCCs and archdeacons

8.51 Role of PCC in maintaining etc. trees in churchyards

- (1) The powers, duties and liabilities of a PCC in relation to the care and maintenance of a churchyard which it is liable to maintain apply to trees in the churchyard and any proposed to be planted there.
- (2) Where a tree in a churchyard which a PCC is liable to maintain is felled, lopped or topped—
 - (a) the PCC may sell or otherwise dispose of the timber, and
 - (b) the net proceeds of the sale must be paid to the PCC and applied towards the maintenance of the church or churchyard which it is liable to maintain.
- (3) The Church Buildings Council must give written guidance to all PCCs as to the planting, felling, lopping and topping of trees in churchyards.