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1970 No. 1117

ECCLESIASTICAL LAW

CHURCH OF ENGLAND

The Synodical Government (Channel Islands) Order 1970

Made - - - - 28th July 1970
Coming into Operation 17th August 1970

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 28th day of July 1970

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas the Bishop of Winchester has, in accordance with the Schedule to the Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measure 1931, as amended by section 2 of the Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measure 1931 (Amendment) Measure 1957, settled the Scheme set out in the Schedule to this Order for applying the Synodical Government Measure 1969 to the Channel Islands, and the procedure set out in the Schedule to the first-mentioned Measure has been followed:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in pursuance of section 2 of the Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measure 1931, as amended by section 1 of the Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measure 1931 (Amendment) Measure 1957, and of section 9(5) of the Synodical Government Measure 1969, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order and direct as follows:

1. This Order may be cited as the Synodical Government (Channel Islands) Order 1970 and shall come into operation on 17th August 1970.

Commencement Information

I1 Art. 1 in force at 17.8.1970, see [art. 1](#)

2. The Scheme set out in the Schedule to this Order is hereby confirmed.

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I2 Art. 2 in force at 17.8.1970, see [art. 1](#)

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3. The Synodical Government Measure 1969 shall apply to the Channel Islands, and the Channel Islands (Representation) Measure 1931 shall be modified, in accordance with the provisions of the said Scheme.

Commencement Information

I3 Art. 3 in force at 17.8.1970, see [art. 1](#)

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SCHEDULE

Commencement Information

I4 Sch. in force at 17.8.1970, see [art. 1](#)

A SCHEME

Prepared by the Bishop of Winchester in pursuance of the Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measures 1931 and 1957 for applying the Synodical Government Measure 1969 to the Channel Islands.

PREAMBLE

Whereas section 9(5) of the Synodical Government Measure 1969 provides that the Measure may be applied to the Channel Islands or either of them, as defined in the Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measures 1931 and 1957, in accordance with the provisions of the last-mentioned Measures and that any scheme made for the purpose of such application may provide for such modifications of the Channel Islands (Representation) Measure 1931 and of the Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measure 1931 as may be necessary or expedient in consequence of the provisions of the first-mentioned Measure:

And whereas the Bishop of Winchester has come to the conclusion that the first-mentioned Measure ought to be applied to the Channel Islands with certain variations and has in accordance with paragraphs 1 to 3 of the Schedule to the Channel Islands (Church Legislation) Measure 1931 prepared the following draft Scheme for the purpose:

SCHEME

Application of the Synodical Government Measure 1969

Nothing in this Scheme shall prejudice the continuing exercise of any jurisdiction exercised before the appointed day by the Dean of Jersey or the Dean of Guernsey or the continuing operation in Jersey of the Order in Council dated 30th June 1623.

Section 1 shall apply to the Channel Islands so far as may be necessary to secure that the functions, authority, rights and privileges of the Convocation of Canterbury vested in the General Synod of the Church of England are exercisable with respect to matters concerning the Church of England in the Channel Islands.

Section 2(1) shall apply to the Channel Islands so far as may be necessary to secure that the other functions of the General Synod are exercisable with respect to matters concerning the Church of England in the Channel Islands in like manner as heretofore they have been exercisable by the Church Assembly; and accordingly section 2(2) shall apply to the Channel Islands for the purpose of construing Measures, enactments and instruments.

Section 4 shall apply to the Channel Islands so far as may be necessary to secure that the functions of the diocesan synod of Winchester are exercisable with respect to matters concerning the Church of England in the Channel Islands; and accordingly section 4(7) shall apply in the Channel Islands for the purpose of construing any Measure or instrument.

Section 5(3) and (4) shall apply to the decanal conferences of the Channel Islands as from 1st June 1970 and as from that date they shall be renamed deanery synods and any reference in any Measure to the decanal conferences of the Channel Islands or to the decanal conference of either Island shall be construed as a reference to the deanery synods of the Channel Islands or the deanery synod of that Island respectively.

Modifications of the Channel Islands (Representation) Measure 1931

For section 4 there shall be substituted the following section—

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“4. A lay person shall be entitled to have his name entered on the church electoral roll of either Island, if he—

- (a) is baptised;
- (b) is a member of the Church of England or another Church of the Anglican Communion or an overseas Church in communion with the Church of England, and is not a member of any other religious body which is not in communion with the Church of England;
- (c) is of seventeen years or upwards;
- (d) is resident in the Island; and
- (e) has signed the form of application for enrolment set out in the Schedule to this Measure.”

In section 6 for the word “twenty-one” there shall be substituted the word “eighteen”.

In the Schedule there shall be substituted the following form:—

“Application for Enrolment on Church Electoral Roll’

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Order applies the Synodical Government Measure 1969 to the Channel Islands in accordance with a Scheme prepared by the Bishop of Winchester and makes consequential amendments to the Channel Islands (Representation) Measure 1931.

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- Sch. modified by [S.I. 2022/1180 art. 6\(3\)](#)
- art. 3 modified by [S.I. 2022/1180 art. 6\(4\)](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Instrument associated Parts and Chapters:

- Order modified by [S.I. 2022/867 art. 4\(3\)](#)