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SCHEDULES

[^{F1}SCHEDULE 3

CHURCH REPRESENTATION RULES

Textual Amendments

- F1** Sch. 3 substituted (1.1.2020) by Church Representation and Ministers Measure 2019 (No. 1), s. 1(3), **Sch. 1** (with Sch. 3); S.I. 2019/1460, art. 2

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Sch. 3 modified by Cathedrals Measure 1963 (No. 2), s. 12(3) (as substituted (1.6.1992) by Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure 1992 (No. 1), s. 17(1), **Sch. 3 para. 10**; Instrument dated 27.5.1992 made by Archbishops of Canterbury and York.
Sch. 3 modified (30.6.1999) by 1999 No. 1, ss. 12(4), 38(2)(3) (with ss. 33, 37, 38(5)(6))
- C1** Sch. 3 applied by 2001 No. 1, s. 5(7) (as substituted (19.5.2014) by Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure 2014 (No. 1), s. 21(2), **Sch. 2 para. 15**; S.I. 2014/1369, art. 2)

PART 2

PARISH GOVERNANCE

Model Rules

- 11 The Rules in Part 9 apply to each parish.

Scheme for amendment

- 12 (1) The annual parochial church meeting or a special parochial church meeting may make a scheme to amend or supplement, or to replace (either as a whole or in part), the Rules in Part 9 in so far as they apply to that parish.
- (2) A scheme under this Rule may not make provision which would disapply or suspend or restrict the application of—
- (a) Rule M8(4) to (8) (disqualification from nomination to be parochial representative);
 - (b) Rule M13 (special parochial meeting);
 - (c) Rule M14 (extraordinary parochial meeting);
 - (d) Rule M15(2) and (3) (PCC: laity must outnumber clergy);
 - (e) Rule M15(13) (PCC: disqualification from membership);
 - (f) Rule M27(2) (PCC quorate only if majority present lay);
 - (g) Rule M36 (district church council: disqualification from membership);
 - (h) Rule M41 (joint council: disqualification from membership);
 - (i) Rule M42(5) (joint council: laity must outnumber clergy).

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Procedure for making scheme

- 13 (1) A scheme under Rule 12 is valid only if it is approved by at least two-thirds of the persons present and voting at the meeting.
- (2) A scheme approved under paragraph (1) must be referred to the bishop's council and standing committee and must be accompanied by—
- (a) a copy of the resolution of the meeting at which the scheme was approved, and
 - (b) a statement of the number of persons attending the meeting, the number voting for approval of the scheme and the number voting against.
- (3) The bishop's council and standing committee, having had a scheme referred to it under paragraph (2), may—
- (a) approve the scheme without amendment,
 - (b) approve the scheme subject to proposed amendments, or
 - (c) decline to approve the scheme.
- (4) The bishop's council and standing committee may approve a scheme only if it is satisfied that the scheme—
- (a) makes due provision for the representation of the laity of the parish,
 - (b) ensures effective governance of the parish,
 - (c) entitles the minister to chair the annual parochial church meeting and the PCC, and
 - (d) makes due provision for the allocation of property, rights, liabilities and functions to the PCC in circumstances where there is a scheme for the establishment of a joint council but the parish—
 - (i) ceases to be connected to the other parish or parishes to which the scheme applies (see Rule M37(4)), or
 - (ii) is dissolved by a pastoral scheme which makes provision under section 31(1)(b) of the Mission and Pastoral Measure 2011.
- (5) An amendment proposed under paragraph (3)(b) is passed only if it is approved by at least two-thirds of the persons present and voting at the annual parochial church meeting or a special parochial church meeting.
- (6) A scheme under Rule 12 does not come into operation unless it has been approved by the bishop's council and standing committee.
- (7) A scheme under Rule 12 comes into operation on the day specified in the scheme.
- (8) Where a scheme under Rule 12 is approved under this Rule, a copy of the scheme—
- (a) must be filed in the diocesan registry, and
 - (b) must be sent to the secretary of the bishop's council and standing committee.]

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