



# Cathedrals Measure 2021

2021 No. 2

*Roles and responsibilities*

PROSPECTIVE

## 13 Interim dean

- (1) If the office of dean of a cathedral is vacant or the dean is unable to discharge functions because of illness, absence or any other reason, the bishop must appoint a residentiary canon, or another clerk in Holy Orders, who is qualified to hold the office of dean to carry out the functions concerned during the period concerned [<sup>F1</sup>(and the reference to a residentiary canon does not, accordingly, include a reference to a lay residentiary canon)].
- (2) An appointment under subsection (1) is to be on such terms and for such period as the bishop may determine; and, accordingly, in section 1 of the Ecclesiastical Offices (Terms of Service) Measure 2009 (common tenure), in subsection (1)(d), after “office in a cathedral” insert “ other than the office under section 13(1) of the Cathedrals Measure 2021 (interim dean) ”.
- (3) Before making an appointment under subsection (1), the bishop must consult the Chapter.
- (4) An appointment under subsection (1) must be made before the end of 30 days beginning with the day on which the vacancy arises or (as the case may be) the dean becomes unable to discharge the functions concerned.
- (5) Where a person is appointed under this section, the references in this Measure to the dean are to be read as references to the person so appointed.
- (6) Any question arising as to whether an appointment under this section is justified is to be determined by the archbishop of the province; and the archbishop's determination is final.

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- (7) A reference in this section to being qualified to hold the office of dean is a reference to satisfying the requirements imposed by a Measure, Act of Parliament or Canon for appointment to the office of dean.
- (8) Where a dean is suspended, removed or disqualified from office, the dean is, for the duration of the period of the suspension or from the time when the removal or disqualification takes effect, to be treated for the purposes of this section as unable to discharge the dean's functions.

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#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1** Words in s. 13(1) inserted (coming into force in accordance with s. 22(3) of the amending Measure) by Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure 2024 (No. 1), **Sch. 1 para. 19**

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