

**2020 No. 1123**

**ECCLESIASTICAL LAW, ENGLAND**

**The General Synod of the Church of England (Postponement of Elections) (Amendment) Order 2020**

*Made* - - - - - *14th October 2020*

*Coming into force* - - - - - *15th October 2020*

At the Court at Windsor Castle, the 14th day of October 2020

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

The Archbishops of Canterbury and York have made the joint request referred to in section 84 of the Coronavirus Act 2020(a).

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred by that section, is pleased by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order as follows:

**Citation and commencement**

**1.**—(1) This Order may be cited as the General Synod of the Church of England (Postponement of Elections) (Amendment) Order 2020.

(2) This Order comes into force on the day after the date on which it is made.

**Ancillary provision**

**2.**—(1) In the General Synod of the Church of England (Postponement of Elections) Order 2020(b), after Article 3 insert—

**“Ancillary provision: members of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission for England**

**4.** Each person who, immediately before the end of 30th April 2021, is a member of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission for England is, in spite of paragraph 7 of Schedule 1 to the Care of Cathedrals Measure 2011(c) (which provides for a member's term of office to run for five years), to continue as a member of the Commission until—

(a) 30th April in the year following that in which the next dissolution of the General Synod takes place, or

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(a) 2020 c.7.  
(b) S.I. 2020/526.  
(c) 2011 No. 1.

(b) if, before that date, the person’s membership of the Commission otherwise comes to an end, the date on which it does so come to an end.”

(2) In the heading to Article 3 of that Order, after “Ancillary provision” insert “: members of the General Synod”.

*Richard Tilbrook*  
Clerk of the Privy Council

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order is made under section 84 of the Coronavirus Act 2020.

This Order amends the first Order made under that section, the General Synod of the Church of England (Postponement of Elections) Order 2020 (S.I. 2020/526), by inserting a new Article 4 to make consequential provision about the membership of the Cathedrals Fabric Commission for England.

Under paragraph 7 of Schedule 1 to the Care of Cathedrals Measure 2011, membership of the Commission is for a fixed term of five years, which is expressed to begin on the 1st May in the year following that in which the General Synod was last dissolved. Accordingly, the term of office of each current member of the Commission is due to expire on 30th April 2021, before the General Synod will have been dissolved.

The new Article 4 resolves that issue by providing for each person’s membership of the Commission to continue until the 30th April in the year following that in which the next dissolution of the General Synod takes place (unless any particular person ceases to be a member of the Commission for some other reason before that date).

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