

Statutory Document No. 2023/0280

MISSION AND PASTORAL MEASURE (ISLE OF MAN) 2012

CATHEDRAL PASTORAL SCHEME 2023

Coming into operation

1 January 2024

The Church Commissioners for the Isle of Man make this Scheme under sections 7, 16, 25 and 42 of, and paragraph 9 of Schedule 1 and paragraph 6 of Schedule 2 to, the Mission and Pastoral Measure (Isle of Man) 2012¹, and with the consent of the Lord Bishop of Sodor and Man.

1 Title

This Scheme is the Cathedral Pastoral Scheme 2023.

2 Commencement

This Scheme comes into operation on 1 January 2024.

3 New parish

A new parish is created, named the Cathedral parish, and consisting of that part of the existing parish of the West Coast shown coloured grey on the map annexed to this Scheme and marked "Map referred to in the Cathedral Pastoral Scheme 2023".

4 Cathedral benefice

- (1) The benefice of the West Coast created by the Western Pastoral Scheme 2012² is renamed "the Cathedral benefice".
- (2) The area of the Cathedral benefice is
 - (a) the Cathedral parish, and
 - (b) the rest of the existing parish of the West Coast.

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¹SM 2 of 2012

²SD 193/12

5 Parish church

The cathedral church of Saint German is the parish church of the Cathedral parish.

6 Transfer of funds and property

(1) In this article —

"the Board" means the Sodor and Man Diocesan Board of Finance;

"parochial authority", in relation to a parish, means —

- (a) the parochial church council of the parish,
- (b) the incumbent and churchwardens of the parish, or
- (c) the churchwardens of the parish.
- (2) On the coming into operation of this Scheme
 - (a) any parish burial ground of the ancient parish of German shall vest in the incumbent and churchwardens of the Cathedral parish without any conveyance or other assurance;
 - (b) any funds or property held by or on behalf of a parochial authority of the parish of the West Coast for the purpose of any functions (under the Burials Act 1986³ or otherwise) relating to a parish burial ground referred to in sub-paragraph (a) shall vest in the corresponding authority of the Cathedral parish;
 - (c) any movable property held by a parochial authority of the parish of the West Coast for the purposes of the cathedral church of Saint German or any premises occupied with it shall vest in the corresponding authority of the Cathedral parish;
 - (d) any funds held by or on behalf of a parochial authority of the parish of the West Coast and applicable to the repair or maintenance of the cathedral church of Saint German or any premises occupied with it shall vest in the corresponding authority of the Cathedral parish.
- (3) Paragraph (4) applies to the following property, namely funds and property which immediately before the coming into operation of this Scheme are held by or on behalf of a parochial authority of the parish of the West Coast, other than —

³AT 26 of 1986

- (a) a church, churchyard or church hall;
- (b) movable property held for the purposes of a church, churchyard or church hall;
- (c) funds applicable to the repair or maintenance of a church, churchyard or church hall;
- (d) a parish burial ground; or
- (e) any other funds or property held by or on behalf of a parochial authority for the purpose of any functions (under the Burials Act 1986 or otherwise) relating to parish burial grounds.
- (4) The Board may give a direction in writing to a parochial authority of the parish of the West Coast to transfer to a parochial authority of the Cathedral parish specified in the direction such property, being part of the property to which this paragraph applies, as appears to the Board to represent a fair share of that property and is specified in the direction.
- (5) Before giving a direction under paragraph (4) the Board must consult the parochial authorities of the parish of the West Coast and the Cathedral parish.
- (6) Subject to paragraph (7), a parochial authority of the parish of the West Coast must comply with a direction under paragraph (4).
- (7) Any question -
 - (a) whether any property is property to which paragraph (4) applies, or
 - (b) whether the property the subject of a direction under that paragraph represents a fair share of the property to which that paragraph applies,
 - may in default of agreement be referred to and determined by the Vicar General, whose decision shall be final.
- (8) Nothing in this article affects a charity established for ecclesiastical purposes of the Church of England, the purposes of which are defined by reference to the Cathedral benefice or the parish of the West Coast or any part of that parish.

7 Consequential amendments etc.

- (1) In the Church Act 1895^4
 - (a) in section 2, in the definition of "Vicar", for "benefice of the West Coast" substitute "Cathedral benefice";
 - (b) in section 2A(2) and (3), for "Parish of the West Coast" substitute "Cathedral parish".
- (2) In the Western Pastoral Scheme 2012
 - (a) omit article 4(3), (6), (8) and (9);
 - (b) omit articles 5 and 6.
- (3) In the Churchwardens Scheme 2014⁵
 - (a) in Part 1 of Schedule 1
 - (i) at the appropriate place insert —

"The Cathedral parish

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- (ii) in the entry relating to the parish of the West Coast, in column 2, for "10" substitute "8";
- (b) in Schedule 2, for the entries relating to Patrick, German and Michael substitute —

"Patrick Michael	the West Coast
German	the Cathedral parish"

- (4) The persons who immediately before the coming into operation of this Scheme hold office as churchwardens of the parish of the West Coast—
 - (a) shall continue to be the churchwardens of the parish of the West Coast until the conclusion of the next meeting of the parishioners of that parish held pursuant to the Churchwardens Measure (Isle of Man) 2013⁶; and
 - (b) shall be the churchwardens of the Cathedral parish until the conclusion of the first meeting of the parishioners of that parish held pursuant to that Measure.

⁴AT 1 of 1895

⁵SD 2014/370

⁶SM 1 of 2013

THE COMMON SEAL of the Church
Commissioners for the Isle of Man was
hereunto affixed on 27 September
2023 in the presence of:

C. Kelsey

Secretary

I consent

♣ Peter Sodor as Mannin

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This note is not part of the Scheme.*)

This Scheme creates a new Cathedral parish, consisting of part of the parish of the West Coast shown on the annexed map, and renames the benefice of the West Coast (the area of which is the new parish and the rest of the parish of the West Coast) "the Cathedral benefice".

