

THE CLERGY SUPERANNUATION ORDINANCE 2004

An Ordinance to regulate superannuation contributions for Clergy of the Diocese of Grafton.

The Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Grafton assembled in Synod, prescribe as follows:-

1. This Ordinance may be cited as "The Clergy Superannuation Ordinance 2004".
2. The Clergy Provident Ordinance 1966 – 1992 is hereby repealed.
3. For the purposes of this Ordinance, "member" means, an ordained person holding a licence from the Bishop of Grafton to undertake ecclesiastical functions within the Diocese, on behalf of whom contributions for Superannuation are required to be made.
4. A member of the Clergy of the Diocese of Grafton shall have contributions made on his or her behalf to an approved superannuation fund in accordance with government legislation in force from time to time.

5. Contributions shall be made as follows:-

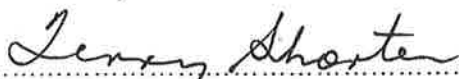
Minimum annual contributions on behalf of each member shall be 15%, or such other percentage as determined by Bishop-in-Council from time to time, of the actual Stipend for such member. The minimum rate of superannuation contributions shall be apportioned as follows:

In respect to each member licensed to a Diocesan Office or employed by the Diocese or Parish:

Each member	one third
Parish	one third
Diocese	one third

6. The stipend of each member shall be liable to the deduction of their contribution-as specified in Clause 5 and the Treasurer of a Parish shall deduct from the stipend of a member and forward to the Diocesan Registrar the amount of the member's contribution.
 7. The Bishop-in-Council may, on application by a member, remit or postpone in whole or in part one or more of the employee's contributions in the event of ill-health or other sufficient cause.
 8. The Bishop-in-Council may engage the services of any persons, firms or corporations or may contract with any existing organisation providing Superannuation Funds or benefits, including Insurance Companies or other provident funds already in existence for the purpose of giving effect to this Ordinance.
9. This Ordinance shall come into operation upon receiving the assent of the Bishop.

I hereby certify that the Ordinance as printed is in accordance with the Ordinance as passed.



Chairman of Committees

I hereby certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod on the 26th day of June, 2004.



Registrar

I assent to this Ordinance.



Bishop