

**GRAFTON DIOCESAN GOVERNANCE ORDINANCE 2008
AMENDING (THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING) ORDINANCE 2012**
Ordinance No. 13 of 2012

An Ordinance to amend the Grafton Diocesan Governance Ordinance 2008 relating to the Cathedral Church of Christ the King.

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS presently the governance of the Cathedral Church of Christ the King is contained in part within Chapter 17 of the Grafton Diocesan Governance Ordinance 2008 AND WHEREAS it is desirable to have the Ordinance amended THEREFORE the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Grafton decree and enact as follows:

AMENDMENT 1

1. Chapter 17 of the Grafton Diocesan Governance Ordinance is amended by deleting the present Chapter 17 and substituting in place thereof the Schedule to this Ordinance.
2. This Ordinance may be cited as The Grafton Diocesan Governance Ordinance 2008 Amending (The Cathedral Church of Christ the King) Ordinance 2012
3. This Ordinance shall come into effect upon receiving the assent of the Bishop.

ASSENT

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


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Chairman of Committees

I certify that this Ordinance was passed by Synod on the 16 day of September, 2012.


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Registrar

I assent to this Ordinance.


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Bishop.

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SCHEDULE

CHAPTER 17 - THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING

192 Mission and Ministry

- 192.1 Christ Church Grafton is the Parish Church of the Parish of Grafton and the Cathedral Church of the Diocese of Grafton, to be known as 'the Cathedral Church of Christ the King' or 'Christ Church Cathedral Grafton', with a Mission and Ministry to provide leadership and a point of Diocesan unity for Anglican worship and the proclamation of the Gospel.
- 192.2 The mission and ministry of the Cathedral shall include supporting and reflecting the diversity of worship and theology within the community of Anglican faith in the Diocese of Grafton.

193 Objectives

- 193.1 To provide the means by which the Cathedral Church of Christ the King will be properly governed, administered and supported in proclaiming the Kingdom.
- 193.2 To provide certainty as to the different roles of the Parish Council and Cathedral Chapter in Ministry and Mission.

194 The Cathedral

- 194.1 In accordance with the Constitution and traditions of the Church the Cathedral is under the care and authority of the Dean with advice and assistance from the Parish Council of Grafton and the Cathedral Chapter.
- 194.2 The Cathedral is the place of the cathedra, the seat of the Bishop's See, and in consequence the heart and spiritual base of the Mission of the Bishop.
- 194.3 The members of the Cathedral's congregation and members of the Diocesan family acknowledge the special place of the Cathedral as Parish Church but also the meeting place of the Diocese and the community on the great Diocesan and civic services, celebrations and festivals.

195 The Bishop

- 195.1 In addition to his rights as Ordinary the Bishop shall take precedence in the Cathedral and shall take such part in Divine Service in the Cathedral and shall preach and may likewise invite preachers at such times as he shall think fit upon giving due notice to the Dean of his wish to do so.
- 195.2 The Bishop shall be in charge and have complete authority to order all such services as are connected with Episcopal and Diocesan functions and all matters pertaining thereto.
- 195.3 After consultation with the Dean the Bishop shall have the right to use the Cathedral Parish Centre for such Diocesan purposes as he thinks fit.
- 195.4 The Bishop shall have the right to appoint a qualified person to be the Bishop's Churchwarden of Christ Church Grafton and consequently a member of the Parish Council of the Parish of Grafton.

196 The Dean

- 196.1 The Incumbent of the Parish of Grafton shall be the Dean of the Cathedral and shall be known as the Dean of Grafton. On ceasing to be the Incumbent of the Parish of Grafton, the Minister shall cease to be the Dean of Grafton.
- 196.2 The Dean shall have the next place after the Bishop in precedence in the Cathedral and subject to the rights of the Bishop as provided in this Chapter the Dean shall have the ordering of Divine Service in the Cathedral and all the rights privileges duties and responsibilities of Incumbents in the Diocese of Grafton.
- 196.3 The Dean shall have the right to appoint a qualified person as the Dean's Churchwarden of Christ Church Grafton and consequently a member of the Parish Council of the Parish of Grafton.

197 The Archdeacons

Each Archdeacon within the Diocese, upon collation, shall be assigned a stall in the Cathedral and installed therein by the Dean. An Archdeacon will retain such place until the Archdeacon ceases to be an Archdeacon.

198 Bishop-in-Council Support

Bishop-in-Council may from funds voted by Synod in the Budget make a grant to the Grafton Parish Council for the maintenance and upkeep of the Cathedral.

199 The Parish Council

Unless otherwise provided, the affairs of the Parish of Grafton shall be administered in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance dealing with Parish Councils

200 Functions of the Cathedral Parish Council

200.1 In addition to the Duties and Responsibilities of the Parish Council provided in clause 78 of this Ordinance the Cathedral Parish Council shall have the following functions:-

- (a) Development and fostering of the Ministry of the Cathedral within the Parish
- (b) Promoting and safeguarding the function of the Cathedral as the Parish Church in Sunday worship and other services
- (c) Assisting in the Cathedral's Parish ministry especially in the areas of evangelism, education, ecumenical endeavour, media communication, public witness, music and the arts

201 The Churchwardens

201.1 There shall be:

- (a) two Churchwardens elected by the Annual General Meeting;
- (b) a Churchwarden (known as the Bishop's Churchwarden) appointed by the Bishop;
- (c) a Churchwarden (known as the Dean's Churchwarden) appointed by the Dean; and
- (d) a Centre Warden for each Centre Church in the Parish of Grafton that the Annual General Meeting nominates,

all of whom shall be members of the Parish Council.

202 Role of Churchwardens

202.1 Unless otherwise provided, the role of Churchwardens shall be in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance dealing with The Wardens

203 The Chapter

203.1 There shall be a Chapter of the Cathedral which shall consist of:-

- (a) The Bishop (who shall be President);
- (b) The Dean (who shall be Chair);
- (c) The Archdeacons;
- (d) The Registrar;
- (e) The Clerical Canons;
- (f) The Lay Canons;
- (g) The Cathedral Churchwardens (as elected by the congregation and appointed by the Bishop and Dean under clause 201).

204 Functions of the Chapter

204.1 The Chapter of the Cathedral shall have the following functions:-

- (a) development and fostering of the Ministry of the Cathedral within the Diocese and Regional and Australian community;
- (b) promoting and safeguarding the place and function of the Cathedral as the parent church of the Diocese for Diocesan and civic services;
- (c) assisting in facilitating the Cathedral's wider ministry especially in the areas of evangelism, education, ecumenical endeavour, media communication, public witness, music and the arts;
- (d) conducting of the periodic architectural appraisal of the Cathedral and associated buildings;

- (e) advocating to Diocesan decision makers the special maintenance and building needs of the Cathedral and its heritage surrounds;
- (f) to advise Bishop-in-Council on the state of the fabric of the Cathedral and its heritage surrounds;
- (g) advocating to all members of the Diocesan family the responsibility of all for maintenance of the Cathedral;
- (h) be responsible for major capital fundraising;
- (i) to discuss and agree on expenditure (if any) from the Cathedral Endowment Fund;
- (j) to recommend to the Bishop and Dean appropriate candidates for appointment as Canons;
- (k) to be available to the Bishop for consultation and resource;
- (l) to be available as a possible facilitator of occasional major Diocesan events whether worship, learning or Synodical.

205 Meetings of Chapter

205.1 The Chapter shall meet at least four times each year, all meetings thereof being convened by the Dean, who shall have a deliberative and a casting vote on all questions. The Bishop however, shall have the right to convene a meeting at his discretion.

205.2 At its last meeting of the year the Chapter shall set the dates and times of meetings for the following year.

206 Quorum of Chapter

A quorum for any meeting of the Chapter shall be seven members.

207 Chapter Clerk

- 207.1 The Chapter shall appoint a Chapter Clerk who shall perform the duties of secretary and keep all necessary records of meetings of the Chapter.
- 207.2 The Chapter Clerk shall be appointed for a term of five years, or such term as the Chapter decides not exceeding five years. The person appointed may at the conclusion of this term be appointed for a further term.
- 207.3 The Chapter Clerk shall attend meetings of the Chapter and may participate in debate but shall not have a vote unless a member of the Chapter.

208 Reporting to Synod

The Chapter Clerk shall, on behalf of the Chapter, annually report to Synod on the activities of the Chapter.

209 Clerical and Lay Canons

- 209.1 The Bishop, after consultation with the Dean, shall have the right to appoint Canons.
- 209.2 Licensed clergy of the Diocese of at least five years standing from ordination may be appointed to be Canons of the Cathedral and members of the Cathedral Chapter; and communicant lay members of the Church resident within the Diocese may be appointed Lay Canons of the Cathedral and members of the Cathedral Chapter.
- 209.3 In appointing Canons the Bishop and the Dean will give consideration to the gifts of service and support that the Canon may bring to the Cathedral and the Dean in areas such as evangelism, ministry development, church administration, media, music, liturgy, welfare, social justice, finance or environment.
- 209.4 Canons accepting appointment to the Chapter will undertake to support the mission of the Cathedral and the work of the Dean in their areas of expertise.

210 Admission to Office

The Canons shall be admitted to office according to a form prescribed by the Bishop. They shall be licensed by the Bishop, assigned a stall in the Cathedral, and installed therein by the Dean.

211 Tenure of Chapter Canons

- 211.1 The period of appointment of Canons will be for up to five years as determined by the Bishop at the time of appointment and may be extended by the Bishop for such period as he sees fit.
- 211.2 Clerical and lay Canons shall cease to hold office if:
- (a) they resign in writing to the Bishop; or
 - (b) the Bishop revokes their appointment; or
 - (c) in the case of clerical Canons they cease to be licensed; or
 - (d) in the case of lay Canons they cease to be communicant members of the Church; or
 - (e) they cease to reside within the Diocese.

212 Honorary Canons

- 212.1 The Bishop, after consultation with the Dean, shall have the right to appoint licensed clergy of the Anglican Communion, who have served in the Diocese of Grafton, to be Honorary Canons of the Cathedral.
- 212.2 Honorary Canons are not members of the Chapter.
- 212.3 There may be only a total of six Honorary Canons at any time.
- 212.4 The title Honorary Canon may be used by those whom the Bishop appoints until such time as the Bishop, in writing and with three months notice, withdraws the right to use such title. An Honorary Canon may resign the title in writing at any time.

213 Canons Emeritus

- 213.1 The Bishop, after consultation with the Dean, shall have the right to appoint licensed clergy and lay people who are communicant members of the Anglican Church of the Diocese of Grafton who have been either Chapter Canons or Honorary Canons of the Cathedral to be Canons Emeritus in recognition of service to the Diocese of Grafton.
- 213.2 Canons Emeritus are not members of the Chapter.
- 213.3 The title Canon Emeritus may be used by those whom the Bishop appoints until such time as the Bishop, in writing and with three months notice, withdraws the right to use such title. The Canon Emeritus may resign the title in writing at any time.

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