

**GRAFTON DIOCESAN GOVERNANCE ORDINANCE 2008
AMENDING (DIOCESE) ORDINANCE 2013
Ordinance No. 3 of 2013**

An Ordinance to amend the Grafton Diocesan Governance Ordinance 2008 relating to the Diocese.

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS presently the Mission, Ministry and Objectives of the Diocese of Grafton are contained in summary within Chapter 4 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. Chapter 4 of the Grafton Diocesan Governance Ordinance is amended by deleting the present Chapter 4 and substituting in place thereof the Schedule to this Ordinance.
2. This Ordinance may be cited as The Grafton Diocesan Governance Ordinance 2008 Amending (Diocese) Ordinance 2013
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 12th day of October, 2013.


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Registrar (ACTING)

I assent to this Ordinance.


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Bishop. Dio. Admin.

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SCHEDULE

CHAPTER 4 – DIOCESE

5 Geography, Mission and Ministry

5.1 The Diocese is bounded in the north by the border between New South Wales and Queensland, to the east by the Pacific Ocean, to the south by the Diocese of Newcastle, and to the west by the Diocese of Armidale.

5.2 The Church in the Diocese is part of the Body of Christ called in partnership with the rest of the Anglican Communion and other churches to be Christ's continuing presence in the world.

5.3 In accordance with the Constitution and traditions of the Anglican Church, and under the care, direction and authority of the Bishop, the Diocese is the unit of organisation of the Church for seeing that the Mission and Ministry of the faithful within the Church to proclaim the Kingdom of God within the geographical area of the Diocese is achieved.

5.4 The members of the Church in the Diocese acknowledge, through Synod, their joint responsibility for that Mission and Ministry.

6 Objectives

6.1 The Church in the Diocese will:–

- (a) proclaim the Gospel;
- (b) provide for the worship of God;
- (c) provide for the administration of the sacraments;
- (d) baptise new believers;
- (e) teach and nurture all believers;
- (f) respond to human need through loving service;
- (g) seek to transform the unjust structures of society; and
- (h) advocate for and strive to safeguard the integrity of creation

in ways which are consistent and compatible with Scripture, reason and tradition in the Anglican Church.