

The Diocesan Development Fund Ordinance, 1949

WHEREAS a certain appeal has been made by the Bishop-in-Council and Panel of Advisers of the Diocese of Grafton to collect subscriptions and raise a fund of Sixty thousand pounds (£60,000) for the purpose more particularly set out in the Schedule hereto (hereinafter called "the said trusts") AND WHEREAS certain moneys have been and are being subscribed to such appeal of which the Corporate Trustees of the Diocese of Grafton are Trustees AND WHEREAS by reason of circumstances to which attention has been drawn by the Bishop-in-Council and Panel of Advisers it has become inexpedient to carry out contemporaneously all the said trusts and it is expedient to declare that the same shall be varied in manner hereinafter appearing AND WHEREAS by Section 32 of the Church of England Trust Property Act 1917 it was made lawful for the Synod of the said Diocese to declare such their opinion and by the same or any subsequent ordinance to declare other trusts for, or for the use benefit or purposes of, the Church within the said Diocese instead of such first mentioned trusts, and such first mentioned trusts should thereupon by force of the said Ordinance cease and determine and the said fund should thereupon be held upon such other trusts accordingly. AND WHEREAS by Section 19 of the said Act it was made lawful for the Synod of the Diocese to grant their consent to the moneys already subscribed and to be subscribed as aforesaid for the said Fund to become vested in the said Corporate Trustees.

NOW THEREFORE the Bishop the Clergy and the Laity of the Diocese of Grafton in Synod assembled declare ordinance and enact as follows:

OPINION.

1. It has become and is inexpedient to carry out contemporaneously all the said trusts upon which the said appeal has been and is being made.

TRUSTEES.

2. The Corporate Trustees of the Diocese with their consent and with the consent of Synod are appointed Trustees of all moneys subscribed and to be subscribed in response to and in support of the said appeal and all such moneys are vested in the Corporate Trustees.

CHANGE OF TRUST.

3. In variation of the said trusts it is declared that the said Corporate Trustees are now empowered and authorised in their discretion to hold all moneys now and henceforth to be subscribed in support of the said appeal upon trust and to utilise the same for the provision at Grafton of a build-

ing for a Community Centre for youth gatherings conferences and retreats as provided for in Part C (2) more particularly referred to in the Schedule hereto, and in priority to all other objectives therein set out.

4. The maximum amount which may be so utilised is limited to Fifteen thousand pounds (£15,000) after plans have been submitted to and approved by Bishop-in-Council.

5. Save as herein specially provided, there shall be no change in the said Trusts as originally declared or in the manner of implementing the same.

SHORT TITLE.

6. This Ordinance may be cited and known as "The Diocesan Development Fund Ordinance 1949."

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO:

The Appeal.

A. Stabilising of the Bishopric Endowment Fund, £11,500.

Owing to lessened interest rates, the original endowment is now insufficient to provide the existing Stipend and Travel allowance. The deficit at present has to be added to Parish assessment.

B. A Capital sum to assist the payment of premiums to the Clergy Provident Fund, £5000.

The Clergy pay large annual premiums. The extra assistance will relieve the financial strain for those who have many calls on their modest incomes.

C. A Diocesan War Memorial, £20,000.

We believe that the most useful and worthy memorial of six years' suffering and sacrifice is one that will help the Youth of this and future generations. We appeal for the above sum in order to provide:—

(1) **The Endowment of Youth Welfare Work in the Diocese.**

This is a supreme need of the Church to-day. The services of a Youth Commissioner and resources for proper equipment will be of the greatest assistance to the Parishes in organising their Youth in loyalty to Church and Nation.

(2) **A Community Centre for Youth Gatherings, Conferences and Retreats.**

A Building which will serve as a meeting place to strengthen fellowship and to spread inspiration; a central power-house for our plans and organisation. The same building will be available as a Diocesan Centre for Synod, for Clergy Retreats and for Conferences of Clergy and Laity. At present we have no place of any kind where hospitality can be conveniently provided for these essential purposes.

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D. The Development of our use of modern technique in religious teaching and evangelism through film projectors and wireless. A Capital sum of £5000 together with £1500 for the purchase of Equipment. Total £6500.

The Church to-day must use modern methods for vigorous teaching and evangelism. Films and wireless are becoming indispensable instruments. They can be especially valuable in reaching the remote areas of a Diocese such as ours.

E. The endowment of an Ordination Candidates' Fund, £10,000.

We need fully-staffed Parishes to meet the spiritual needs of the people, and a properly trained ministry to serve them. From our present resources we can only offer full training to one man a year.

F. Other progressive plans for the Diocese, £7000.

Some of the plans outlined above may require more money than has been allotted to them. In a live Diocese of a living Church new needs are constantly being found. With funds in hand we can rise to the occasion.

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

B. T. BARNES, Chairman of Committees.

We certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod of the Diocese of Grafton on the 14th September, 1949.

OLIVER N. MANNY, Clerical Secretary.

W. L. MEEK, Lay Secretary.

I assent to this Ordinance.

CHRISTOPHER E. GRAFTON, Bishop.

Cathedral (Amendment) Ordinance, 1949

AN ORDINANCE.

To amend the Cathedral Ordinance 1937 in connection with the appointment of Dean of the Cathedral and other matters.

The Bishop, the Clergy and the Laity of the Diocese of Grafton in Synod assembled declare, ordain and enact as follows:—

SHORT TITLE.

1. (1) This Ordinance may be cited as "Cathedral (Amendment) Ordinance 1949."

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