

THE PAROCHIAL ORDINANCE, 1918, AMENDING ORDINANCE, 1932, NO. 1

PREAMBLE.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Section of the Parochial Ordinance, 1918, relating to the alteration of parish boundaries be it ordained by the Bishop Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Grafton in Synod assembled as follows:—

REPEAL.

1. Section 3 of Part 1 of the Parochial Ordinance, 1918, is hereby repealed and the following new Section shall take the place of the said repealed Section.

3. ALTERATION OF BOUNDARIES.

2. (a) The Bishop-in-Council from time to time may alter the boundaries of any parish or parochial district or may unite adjoining parishes or parochial districts or may divide any parish into separate parishes or may constitute a new parish. Provided, however, that no motion for any such alteration union or division shall be introduced except upon the report of a Commission appointed by the Bishop-in-Council to inquire into such matters or upon the joint petition of the ministers and Parochial Councils or adjoining parishes or parochial districts acting in agreement or upon the petition of the minister and parochial council of a parish desiring a division of such parish into separate parishes or parochial districts. Provided further that any motion so introduced and adopted by the Bishop-in-Council shall be subject to confirmation or otherwise at its next meeting after the period of sixty days hereunder provided.

NOTIFICATION AND APPEAL.

3. (b) Upon the adoption of such report or the granting of such petition particulars of the proposed alteration union or division shall be forwarded to the Minister and Parochial Council and local trustees (if any) of any parish or parochial district, to be affected by such alteration and also to the Churchwardens of any licensed Church within the particular area, and a period of sixty days from the date of posting of such particulars shall be allowed for the lodging of any appeal against such proposed alteration union or division.

DECISION BY COUNCIL.

4. (c) If no such appeal is received at the expiration of the said sixty days the Bishop-in-Council may consider that the minister or ministers and local bodies aforementioned offer no objection to the boundaries as proposed, but on the receipt of such appeal the Bishop-in-Council shall consider the matter call for such evidence as it deems necessary and decide what the boundaries shall be.

DECLARATION OF BOUNDARIES.

5. (c) The Bishop-in-Council shall, upon its confirmation of any proposed alteration, union or division, define the boundaries in accordance with Section 2 and shall appoint a date for the effective operation thereof. Every declaration by the Bishop-in-Council of the boundaries of any parish or parochial district made in pursuance of this ordinance shall be conclusive evidence of such boundaries and every copy of or extract from any such declaration or the maps and plans that accompany the same, if certified by the Registrar as correct, shall be prima facie evidence of the matter therein contained.

EXISTING OBLIGATIONS.

6. (c) The alteration of the boundaries of a parish or parochial district shall not be held to absolve that parish or parochial district from any existing obligation under the Diocesan Funds (Consolidated) Ordinance, 1931, or any ordinance replacing the same.

MEMBERS INTERESTED.

7. (f) No member of the Diocesan Council or of a Committee of the Council shall be present during the discussion or decision of any question herein contained in which he or his parish or parochial district is interested unless he be specially requested to be present by the Council.

SHORT TITLE.

8. This Ordinance may be cited as "The Parochial Ordinance, 1918, Amending Ordinance, 1932, No. 1."

We hereby certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod of the Diocese of Grafton on the 20th day of September, 1932.

F. S. DUTTON, Clerical Secretary.

R. A. STANDFIELD, Lay Secretary.

I assent to this Ordinance,

JOHN WILLIAM GRAFTON.

September 21, 1932.