

THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONERS ORDINANCE, 1935.

AN ORDINANCE

To repeal certain sections of an Ordinance; to provide for the creation of Diocesan Insurance Commissioners to vest certain powers and for other purposes incidental thereto.

BE IT enacted by the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Grafton in Synod assembled as follows:-

REPEALS

1. Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, of Part VI, of the Parochial Ordinance 1918, shall be and hereby are repealed, except as to any operation already effected by or act done under any enactment therein comprised or as to any right, title, obligation or liability already acquired or accrued under any such enactment; but this Ordinance shall not be held to revive any Ordinance repealed by the said Ordinance.
2. There shall be established a Board of Diocesan Insurance Commissioners (hereinafter called "The Commissioners"), who shall be the Bishop of the Diocese and the Treasurer of the Diocese, ex-officio, and three laymen to be elected by the Bishop-in-Council upon the passing of this Ordinance who shall hold office until the first meeting of the next ensuing Synod. At the first meeting of the next Bishop-in-Council and each succeeding first meeting the three elected members shall retire and three laymen shall be elected, the retiring members being eligible for re-election and shall hold office until their successors are appointed. At all meetings of the Commissioners three shall form a quorum. Any vacancy occurring shall be filled by the Bishop-in-Council.
3. The Registrar of the Diocese shall be Secretary to the Commissioners and business agent with authority to receive moneys on behalf of the Commissioners.
4. Churchwardens shall adequately insure in the name of the Trustees thereof all ecclesiastical property under their control.
5. All insurances over ecclesiastical property shall be effected through the Commissioners with the Church of England Insurance Company of Australia, Limited, or other Corporation as may from time to time be determined by the Bishop-in-Council.
6. It shall be the duty of the Archdeacon, Rector and Trustees to report at once to the Registrar any case in which ecclesiastical property has not been adequately insured or has not been insured through the Commissioners.
7. Any approval given by the Bishop for the erection of any ecclesiastical building or addition to or alterations of any such building shall be given subject to proper insurance being effected in the name of the Trustees and through the Commissioners.
8. The Commissioners shall cause the accounts of all transactions of the said Commissioners to be regularly entered in proper books and after the close of each financial year submit a report of its operations, together with a statement of accounts and audited balance sheet to the Bishop-in-Council for presentation to Synod.
9. All moneys received shall be paid into the Diocesan Insurance Fund and the Commissioners shall from earnings pay working expenses which shall include the annual audit fee and such rent for office accommodation and such proportion of the Registrar's salary for services as Secretary to the Commissioners as may, from time to time, be determined by the Bishop-in-Council.
10. The Commissioners may make rules and regulations for the conduct of its business.

SHORT TITLE

This Ordinance may be cited as "The Insurance Commissioners Ordinance, 1935".