

## Parishes Definition.

## PARISHES DEFINITION AMENDMENT ORDINANCE 1915.

1915, No. 5.

**Preamble.**

Whereas it is desirable to amend the Parishes Definition Ordinance 1914 by providing for the increased Stipend of the Clergy of Parochial Districts to be raised to the Status of Parishes, and for the official declaration of such raising, as well as to make further provision for the due alteration of Parish Boundaries: Be it therefore enacted by the Synod of Grafton as follows:—

**Amendment—Definition of Parish.**

1. The Parishes Definition Ordinance 1914 Section 2 is amended by the deletion of the word "hereafter," in the fifth line and the insertion in lieu thereof of the words "from and after the first day of October 1916," and the deletion of the figures "£200" in the eighth line and insertion in lieu thereof of the figures "£250," and further by the addition of the following proviso:—"When a Parochial District shall have been raised to the Status of a Parish according to the requirements of the Ordinance, the Bishop shall issue official notice and sanction of the same to the Clerk-in-Charge, which notice shall be read by him first at the principal Church and subsequently at all centres where Divine Service is held in the newly-created Parish and thereupon shall be preserved amongst the official records of the Parish."

**Amendment—Method of Altering Boundaries.**

2. Section 8 of the said Ordinance is amended by deletion of all the words after the word "that," in the fourth line to and including the word "Synod," in the seventh line and by inserting in lieu thereof the following words:—

"When the alteration of any Parish boundary is desired the Bishop shall authorise the Archdeacon to assemble in conference the Clergy of the Parishes and Clerks-in-Charge of the Parochial District affected by such proposed alteration together with three Lay representatives appointed by each of the Parochial Councils of the Parishes or Parochial Districts concerned with full powers of delegation. Report of such Conference shall be submitted by the Archdeacon to the Bishop-in-Council and the alterations as approved shall subsequently be laid before Synod for ratification."

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**Amendment—Schedule.**

3. The Schedule to the Parishes Definition Ordinance 1914 is amended by the deletion of the words "Lower Clarence," and the insertion in lieu thereof the word "Maclean," and the addition of the words "South Grafton, Lower Macleay, Dunoon, Port Macquarie, South Wodburn."

**Short Title.**

4 This Ordinance may be cited as "The Parishes Definition Amendment Ordinance 1915."

I assent to this Ordinance,

CECIL H. GRAFTON.

7th September, 1915.