

**THE GRAFTON ANGLICAN SCHOOLS CONSTITUTIONS AMENDING
ORDINANCE 2019
Ordinance No. 8 of 2019**

An ordinance to amend the Constitutions of each of the Anglican Schools of the Diocese of Grafton.

PREAMBLE

Whereas the Constitution of Bishop Druitt College is contained in the Schedule of The Bishop Druitt College Constitution Ordinance 1992 Amending Ordinance No. 2 2016;

Whereas the Constitution of Clarence Valley Anglican School is contained in the Schedule of The Cathedral School Constitution Ordinance 1997 Amending Ordinance No. 2 2016;

Whereas the Constitution of Emmanuel Anglican College is contained in the Schedule of The Emmanuel Anglican College Constitution Ordinance 1997 Amending Ordinance No. 2 2016;

Whereas the Constitution of Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School is contained in the Schedule of The Lindisfarne School Constitution Ordinance 1989 Amending Ordinance No. 2 2016;

Whereas the Constitution of St Columba Anglican School is contained in the Schedule of The Port Macquarie Anglican School Constitution Ordinance 2000 Amending Ordinance No. 2 2016; and

Whereas it is desirable to have each of these Constitutions amended to enable school councils to conduct meetings by means of communications technology, for school councils to make resolutions without the necessity for a meeting, and for situations where the membership of school councils differ from that prescribed;

Therefore, the Bishop-in-Council in pursuance of powers provided in clause 48.2 of the Diocesan Governance Ordinance 2008 hereby decrees and enacts as follows:

AMENDMENTS

1. The amendments listed in clauses 2 to 6 inclusive of this Amending Ordinance are to apply to the Constitution of each of Bishop Druitt College, Clarence Valley Anglican School, Emmanuel Anglican College, Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School and St Columba Anglican School.

Defects in the composition of a School Council

2. Amend sub-clause 6.6.2 of the Constitution by adding the words "in writing within 7 days of the relevant event occurring" immediately following the word "Commission".
3. Amend sub-clause 6.6.4 of the Constitution by adding the words "or if the composition of the Council does not conform to clause 6.6.2," immediately following the words "falls below seven" and by adding the words "size and" immediately following the words "relating to the".

4. Insert into the Constitution a new clause 6.8 as follows:

“All acts done by the Council or by any Member purporting to act in the capacity of a Member shall, notwithstanding that it shall afterwards be discovered that there was some defect in the appointment of any Member or that any Member was disqualified at a relevant time or notwithstanding that there was an inadvertent defect in the procedure by which such act was performed, be valid as if every Member had been duly appointed or as if the proper procedure had been duly followed, provided that the relevant act or acts otherwise comply with the requirements of this Constitution.”

Meetings of School Council

5. Insert new sub-clauses, following sub-clause 6.7.9, into the Constitution as follows:

- 6.7.10 The Council may conduct a meeting by employing such means, including the use of communications technology, as the Council thinks fit.
- 6.7.11 Nothing in clause 6.7.10 derogates from any of the requirements of this Constitution for the conduct of a meeting of the Council.
- 6.7.12 The Council may make a resolution at times other than during a meeting and may employ such means to make such a resolution as the Council thinks fit provided that the Council has adopted a procedure for so doing which provides for:
- 6.7.12.1 written notice of a proposed resolution to be given to all Members and the Bishop;
 - 6.7.12.2 such notice to be given not less than 2 business days before Members are required to vote on the resolution;
 - 6.7.12.3 the number of votes required to make a valid resolution is not less than the votes of a majority of the total number of Members; and
 - 6.7.12.4 such other matters consistent with this Constitution which the Council thinks fit.”

Amendment History

6. Insert a new sub-clause 15.5 into the Constitution as follows:

“This Constitution was amended by Anglican Schools Constitution Amending Ordinance 2019 which took effect on 15th August 2019.”

COMMENCEMENT

7. This Ordinance shall come into effect upon receiving the assent of the Bishop.

SHORT TITLE

8. This Ordinance may be cited as the Anglican Schools Constitution Amending Ordinance 2019.


ASSENT

We hereby certify that this Ordinance was passed by Bishop-in-Council on the Fifteenth day of August, 2019 and that the Ordinance as printed is in accordance with the Ordinance as passed.


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Chair of Committees


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Registrar

I assent to this Ordinance.


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Bishop

15.8.19
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Date