

**DIOCESAN GOVERNANCE ORDINANCE 2008 AMENDING ORDINANCE
(SYNOD MINIMUM AGE) 2020
Ordinance No. 14 of 2020**

An Ordinance to amend the Diocesan Governance Ordinance regarding the minimum age for members of the Synod of the Diocese of Grafton.

PREAMBLE

Whereas the provisions for the holding of Synods in the Diocese of Grafton are detailed in Chapter 7 and First Schedule of the Diocesan Governance Ordinance 2008; and

Whereas it is appropriate to specify the minimum age for membership of the Synod; and

Whereas it is appropriate to specify a minimum age for eligibility for nomination or appointment to a body whose membership is subject to determination by the Synod;

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. Immediately following clause 43.10 of the Diocesan Governance Ordinance 2008 insert the following:

"Minimum Age

43A.1 A person under the age of 16 years is not eligible to hold membership of Synod.

43A.2 A person under the age of 18 years is not eligible to be appointed to, nominated for or elected to any of the following groups, bodies or roles:

- (a) Bishop-in-Council
- (b) Corporate Trustees of the Diocese of Grafton
- (c) Anglican Funds Grafton Diocese Board
- (d) Professional Standards Board
- (e) Professional Standards Committee
- (f) Board of Enquiry
- (g) Panel of Triers
- (h) Cathedral Chapter
- (i) Representative to General Synod
- (j) Representative to Provincial Synod
- (k) Audit Committee."

COMMENCEMENT

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

SHORT TITLE

3. This Ordinance may be cited as the Synod Minimum Age Amending Ordinance 2020.

ASSENT

We hereby certify that this Ordinance was passed by Bishop-in-Council on the Twentieth day of August, 2020 and that the Ordinance as printed is in accordance with the Ordinance as passed.



Chair of Committees



Registrar

I assent to this Ordinance.



Bishop

20.8.20

Date