

Parish Administration Ordinance 2008 Amendment (Architectural Panels) Ordinance 2019

No 36, 2019

Long Title

An Ordinance to amend the Parish Administration Ordinance 2008.

The Standing Committee of the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney Ordains as follows.

1. Name

This Ordinance is the Parish Administration Ordinance 2008 Amendment (Architectural Panels) Ordinance 2019.

2. Amendment

The Parish Administration Ordinance 2008 is amended as follows -

- (a) insert a new definition in rule 1.1 of Schedule 1 and Schedule 2 as follows -

Diocesan Architectural Pool means a pool comprising no more than 10 persons selected by the Archbishop on the recommendation of the Anglican Church Property Trust Diocese of Sydney or a Regional Bishop.

- (b) substitute the existing Part 2 of Chapter 5 in Schedule 1 as follows –

“Part 2 New Buildings

5.9 New Sites for Churches

(1) A person who wants to provide land as the site for a church or a building which includes a church must –

- (a) obtain the approvals of the Archbishop and the Property Trust, and
(b) thereafter transfer the land to the Property Trust.

(2) This rule does not apply to a person who wants to provide land by will.

(3) In this rule “person” includes a corporation.

5.10 Regional Architectural Panels

(1) There is to be a Regional Architectural Panel for each Region of the Diocese.

(2) Each Regional Architectural Panel is comprised of –

- (a) the Regional Bishop or his nominee,
(b) at least 3 persons appointed by the Archbishop.

(3) The Archbishop may revoke the appointment of a person made under rule 5.10(2)(b) at any time.

(4) A person may be a member of more than one Regional Architectural Panel at the same time.

5.10A Project Architectural Panel

(1) There are to be Project Architectural Panels for the Diocese.

(2) A Project Architectural Panel is separately constituted for each project and is comprised of –

- (a) the Regional Bishop of the Region within which the parish in which the relevant land or building is situated (or his nominee),
(b) at least 2 persons appointed by the Regional Bishop from the Diocesan Architectural Pool.

For the purposes of this sub-rule, “project” means each proposal submitted or to be submitted under rule 5.11.

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5.11 Approval of Plans and Specifications

(1) A person wishing to erect or alter a building on church trust property intended for use as a church or hall or to erect or effect structural alterations to a house for the use of clergy or a lay minister of the parish must first obtain approval under this rule for the proposed works –

(a) if the total projected construction costs are less than the prescribed amount – from the Regional Architectural Panel of the Region within which the parish in which the relevant land or building is situated, or

(b) if the total project construction costs are equal to or greater than the prescribed amount – from the Project Architectural Panel.

For the purposes of this sub-rule, “prescribed amount” means the amount prescribed by the Standing Committee by resolution.

(2) An application for approval must –

(a) be approved by resolution of the parish council of the parish in which the relevant building will be or is situated, and

(b) be signed by the minister and a majority of the members of the parish council of that parish, and

(c) be accompanied with site plans, building plans and specifications in relation to the proposed works, and

(d) contain information sufficient to satisfy an architectural panel that arrangements will be made for the proper and adequate supervision of the proposed works.

(3) All site plans, building plans and specifications for any such works must be prepared by a suitably qualified person substantially in accordance with the current guidelines for the architectural panels.

Note: In view of the role of the architectural panel under rule 5.11(5) to recommend that an application be approved, unconditionally or subject to conditions, or be rejected, it is usually highly desirable to consult with the architectural panel about the application at an early stage and certainly before the site plans, building plans and specifications are finalised.

(4) An application for approval may be lodged with the Regional Bishop.

(5) A Regional Bishop who receives an application for approval must refer the application to the relevant architectural panel. The architectural panel must consider the application and recommend to –

(a) the Archbishop, or

(b) a Regional Bishop authorised by the Archbishop to give approvals under this rule generally or in any particular case,

that the application be approved, unconditionally or subject to conditions, or be rejected.

(6) On receipt of such recommendation, the Archbishop or Regional Bishop must approve the application, unconditionally or subject to conditions, or reject the application.

(7) No building work may commence in relation to the execution of any works until an approval under this rule has been given to those works.

(8) If an approval is given subject to conditions, the works may be executed only if the conditions are satisfied.

(9) At any time before an approval is given, the minister may and, if requested in writing by the Archbishop or an architectural panel, must refer the application or any matter relating to the application to the relevant parish council for further consideration and any resolution must be notified in writing to the Archbishop or the architectural panel as soon as reasonably possible after it is made.

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5.11A Guidelines

The architectural panels, from time to time, are to prepare, revise and make available guidelines for the requirements to be satisfied in order to obtain an approval under rule 5.11.

5.11B Regulations

The Archbishop-in-Council may make and from time to time alter regulations with respect to the operation of architectural panels.”, and

- (c) substitute the existing Part 2 of Chapter 5 in Schedule 2 with the matter set out in clause 2(b), subject to renumbering all references: 5.9 to 5.8, 5.10 to 5.9, 5.10A to 5.9A, 5.11 to 5.10, 5.11A to 5.10A and 5.11B to 5.10B.

I Certify that the Ordinance as printed is in accordance with the Ordinance as reported.

ROBERT TONG
Chair of Committees

I Certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Standing Committee of the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney on 23 September 2019.

DANIEL GLYNN
Secretary

I Assent to this Ordinance.

GLENN DAVIES
Archbishop of Sydney

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