

Parramatta Trust Ordinance 2017

(Reprinted under the Interpretation Ordinance 1985.)

The Parramatta Trust Ordinance 2017 as amended by the Parramatta Variation of Trusts and Amendment Ordinance 2023 and Parramatta Trust Ordinance 2017 Amendment Ordinance 2023.

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Long Title

An Ordinance to vary the trusts on which certain property is held and to establish the ACPT – Parramatta Trust.

Preamble

A. Anglican Church Property Trust Diocese of Sydney (the “ACPT”) is the trustee of the property described in each of the cells in column 1 of the table in the Schedule (the “Existing Property”).

B. The property described in a cell in column 1 of the table in the Schedule is held on the trusts described in the corresponding cell in column 2 of the Schedule.

C. By reason of circumstances which have arisen after the creation of the trusts on which the Existing Property is held, it is inexpedient to carry out and observe those trusts.

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

1. Name of ordinance

This Ordinance is the Parramatta Trust Ordinance 2017.

2. Declarations

By reason of circumstances which have arisen after the creation of the trusts on which the Existing Property is held, it is inexpedient to carry out and observe those trusts, and –

- (a) it is inexpedient that the Existing Property be held for the same or like purposes as the trusts on which the Existing Property is held, and
- (b) it is expedient that power be given to the ACPT to lease or licence from time to time any part of the real property forming part of the trust fund.

3. Definition of trust fund

In this Ordinance –

“trust fund” means –

- (a) the Existing Property, and

- (b) the real and personal property in the Schedule to the Parramatta Variation of Trusts and Amendment Ordinance 2023 (the “Endowment Fund Property”), and
- (c) all real and personal property received or acquired by the ACPT from time to time as an addition to the trust fund.

4. Name of the trust fund

The trust fund is to be known as the ACPT – Parramatta Trust.

5. New trusts

Subject to the terms of this Ordinance, the trust fund is held upon trust for the purposes of the Parish.

6. Capital of the trust fund

(1) Any real property which forms part of the trust fund, may be used for one or more of the following purposes –

- (a) a church,
- (b) a residence for the minister, an assistant minister or any person employed by the wardens of a church in the Parish,
- (c) a hall or halls,
- (d) a school or other place of assembly,
- (e) any purpose incidental to a purpose referred to in paragraph (a), (b), (c) or (d).

(2) Any personal property which forms part of the capital of the trust fund may be applied by the ACPT for one or more of the following purposes –

- (a) the payment of all rates, taxes and charges incurred by the ACPT in relation to the trust fund, any property forming part of the trust fund or any transaction with property forming part of the trust fund, and
- (b) the costs of maintenance and repair of any property forming part of the trust fund required to meet minimum standards of maintenance and repair prescribed by Act, Regulation, Order or other law and applying to that property, and
- (c) to the extent such personal property arises from a payment made to the ACPT by the wardens of a church in the Parish for the purpose of enabling the ACPT to make a payment under any contract made or to be made by the ACPT as trustee of the trust fund with the approval of a majority of the parish council, for that purpose, and
- (d) for such purposes as the Standing Committee may direct by ordinance or resolution, provided that any such purposes directed by resolution must be purposes within the purposes of the Parish in accordance with clause 5.

(3) Pending application under clause 6(2), any personal property which forms part of the capital of the trust fund is to be invested.

(4) If the wardens of a church in the Parish make a payment to the ACPT as an addition to the trust fund for the purpose of enabling the ACPT to make a payment under any contract made or to be made by the ACPT as trustee of the trust fund and –

- (a) the full amount of the payment made by the wardens is not required by the ACPT for that purpose, the ACPT may pay to the wardens an amount equal to the excess, or
- (b) the ACPT claims an input tax credit (as defined in the *New Tax System (Goods and Services) Act 1999*) in respect of the payment made under the contract, the ACPT may pay to the wardens an amount equal to the amount of the input tax credit (or proportionate part thereof where the payment made by the wardens is less than the payment made by the ACPT).

7. Application of the income of the trust fund

(1) The income of the trust fund (other than income referred to in clause 7(2) and clause 8), after paying all rates, taxes and charges incurred by the ACPT in relation to the trust fund, any property forming part of the trust fund or any transaction with property forming part of the trust fund, is to be applied as follows –

- (a) if, from time to time, the personal property of the trust fund –
 - (i) is predominantly invested in the ACPT’s Long Term Pooling Fund – no portion

- is to be capitalised, or
- (ii) is not predominantly invested in the ACPT's Long Term Pooling Fund – 30% is to be capitalised, and
- (b) the balance is to be paid to the wardens of the church of the Parish or, if there is more than one church, the wardens of the principal church of the Parish, to be applied for such purposes of the Parish as the parish council may from time to time determine, except the payment of the stipends, allowances and benefits paid or provided to the minister.
- (2) The income of the trust fund arising from a lease or licence granted pursuant to clause 10(1) is to be applied in accordance with clause 7(1)(b).

8. Application of the income of the Endowment Fund Property

The income of the Endowment Fund Property, after paying all rates, taxes and charges incurred by the ACPT in relation to the Endowment Fund Property, any property forming part of the Endowment Fund Property or any transaction with property forming part of the Endowment Fund, is to be applied as follows –

- (a) 30% is to be capitalised, and
- (b) the balance is to be paid to the wardens of the church of the Parish or, if there is more than one church, the wardens of the principal church of the Parish, to be applied for such purposes of the Parish as the parish council may from time to time determine, except the payment of the stipends, allowances and benefits paid or provided to the minister.

9. Review

- (1) The authority to apply income under clause 7(1)(b) earned after the review date terminates on the review date.
- (2) For the purposes of subclause (1) "review date" means the date which is 10 years after the date this Ordinance commences or such later date as the Standing Committee approves from time to time by resolution.
- (3) Any review of the application of income under clause 7(1)(b) must take into account the repair and maintenance of the building or other improvement situated on any real property which forms part of the trust fund in order to comply with the Heritage Act 1977.

10. Powers – leasing and licensing of real property

- (1) With the written consent of the parish council of the Parish, the ACPT may lease or license any part of the real property forming part of the trust fund, except any part which is consecrated or licensed for use as a church, if (except in the case of the Endowment Fund Property) –
- (a) the term of the lease or licence (when aggregated with the term of any option to renew such lease or licence) does not exceed 5 years, and
 - (b) the rental payable by the lessee or licensee is not more than \$50,000 per annum (including GST), or such other amount as may be determined by the Standing Committee by resolution from time to time.
- (2) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Ordinance, the ACPT is authorised to -
- (a) licence a part of the land comprising the real property of the ACPT-Parramatta Trust in perpetuity for public benefit as a Cathedral Square open space, and
 - (b) register an easement for vehicular access over that part or another part of the real property of the ACPT-Parramatta Trust,

to the extent this is required under a Voluntary Planning Agreement with the City of Parramatta Council.

- (3) Nothing in this clause limits the powers of the ACPT under the Anglican Church Property Trust Diocese of Sydney Ordinance 1965 or under any other ordinance.

11. Commencement

This Ordinance commences on the date of assent.

Schedule

| Column 1 | Column 2 |
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| <p>The land in folio identifiers 1/1110057 and 2/1110057 known as Church Street, Parramatta and the site of St John's Provisional-Cathedral.</p> | <p>By Crown Grant Page 57/3 No 1 the land is held upon trust for the erection thereon of a church of the United Church of England and Ireland.</p> |
| <p>The land in folio identifier 2/243304 known as 3 Opal Place, Northmead and the site of a residence.</p> | <p>The land is held upon trust for the parish of Parramatta although there are no written trusts.</p> |
| <p>The land in folio identifier 105/717999 known as 4 Lincluden Place, Oatlands and the site of the rectory.</p> | <p>The land is held upon trust for the parish of Parramatta although there are no written trusts.</p> |
| <p>The land in folio identifiers 1/575473 and 2/575473 known as 45 Hunter St, Parramatta and the site of a commercial building.</p> | <p>By clause 3 of the Parramatta (45 Hunter Street) Variation of Trusts Ordinance 2007, the land is held on trust for the purposes of the parish of Parramatta.</p> |
| <p>The land in folio identifiers 1/77927 and 5/1011093 known as Pitt Street, Parramatta and the site of a church and hall.</p> | <p>(1) By Declaration of Trust dated 13 May 1928 the land is held upon trust to permit the same to be used for a church parsonage or parish hall or partly for one and partly for another or others of such purposes in connection with the Church of England in the parish of St John's Parramatta at Prospect and Sherwood.</p> <p>(2) By Declaration of Trust Book 1652 No 458 the land is held upon trust to permit the same to be used for a church parsonage or parish hall or partly for one and partly for another or others of such purposes in connection with the Church of England in the parish of St John's Parramatta at Pitt Row.</p> |

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| <p>The land in folio identifier 4/239313 known as 6 Opal Place, Northmead and the site of a residence.</p> | <p>The land was acquired using the proceeds of sale referred to in clause 4(b) of the ST John's Parramatta (Curate's Residence) Sale Ordinance 1985. That clause permitted the proceeds of sale to be used to provide the purchase money costs and expenses incidental thereto for either the purchase of a residence or purchase of land and construction of a residence thereon as selected by the parish council of the Parish for use as a residence for a minister, assistant to the minister or person employed by the churchwardens of the Parish.</p> |
| <p>The land in folio identifier 5/1023282 known as O'Connell Street, Parramatta and the site of St John's Parramatta cemetery.</p> | <p>By Grant Page 57/1 No. 2 the Land is held upon trust for the interment of the dead, according to the use of the United Church of England and Ireland.</p> |
| <p>ACPT Client Fund 674</p> | <p>By clause 3 of the St John's Parramatta Sale and Variation of Trusts Ordinance 1954, the fund is held for the sole benefit of the parish of St John Parramatta on trust to pay the income thereof to the churchwardens for the time being of the said parish for such general parish purposes as may be determined in accordance with the provisions of the Sydney Church Ordinance 1912 or any Ordinance amending or taking the place of the same.</p> |
| <p>ACPT Client Fund 656</p> | <p>By clause 3 of the St John's Parramatta Sale and Variation of Trusts Ordinance 1954, the fund is held for the sole benefit of the parish of St John Parramatta on trust to pay the income thereof to the churchwardens for the time being of the said parish for such general parish purposes as may be determined in accordance with the provisions of the Sydney Church Ordinance 1912 or any Ordinance amending or taking the place of the same.</p> |

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| ACPT Client Fund 661 | This fund is held on trust for the parish of Parramatta although there are no written trusts. |

Notes

1. The original form of ordinance was assented to on 31 May 2017.

Table of Amendments

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| Clause 3 | Amended by Ordinance No 55, 2023. |
| Clause 7 | Amended by Ordinance No 55, 2023. |
| Clause 8 | Inserted by Ordinance No 55, 2023. |
| Clause 9 | Renumbered by Ordinance No 55, 2023. |
| Clause 10 | Renumbered and amended by Ordinance No 55, 2023. Amended by Ordinance No 56, 2023. |
| Clause 11 | Renumbered by Ordinance No 55, 2023. |

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