Synod Appropriations and Allocations Ordinance 2024

No 26, 2024

Long Title

An Ordinance to authorise financial appropriations and allocations for 2025 and to indicate Synod's intentions for 2026 and 2027.

Preamble

By clause 3(3) of the *Synod Estimates Ordinance 1998*, the Standing Committee is to prepare for the second session of the 53rd Synod a proposed ordinance which contains estimates for the 2025, 2026 and 2027 financial year of –

- (i) the amount required for meeting the cost of sittings of the Synod, the maintenance of the diocesan offices and the expenses of such other diocesan activities and commitments as, in the opinion of the Standing Committee, should be supported,
- (ii) the amount which, in the opinion of the Standing Committee, should be granted to organisations under the control of Synod or to other organisations, and
- (iii) the amount available for distribution from endowments or other trusts for meeting the amounts referred to in paragraphs (i) and (ii) which, in the opinion of the Standing Committee, may prudently be applied towards meeting the amounts referred to in paragraphs (i) and (ii) in the relevant financial year.

A proposed ordinance under subclause 3 for consideration at the second ordinary session of each Synod is, as far as practicable, to reflect –

- (i) the statement of funding principles and priorities approved by the Synod at the first ordinary session of the Synod, or
- (ii) any other determination made by the Synod in relation to such statement.

The Synod of the Diocese of Sydney Ordains as follows.

1. Name

This Ordinance is the Synod Appropriations and Allocations Ordinance 2024.

2. Interpretation

In this Ordinance -

"Allocations Report" means the part of Attachment 2 to Standing Committee's report to the Synod about this Ordinance headed "USE OF FUNDS".

"Income Report" means the part of Attachment 2 to Standing Committee's report to the Synod about this Ordinance headed "SOURCE OF FUNDS (Appropriations)".

3. Declaration

By reason of circumstances arising after the creation of the trusts on which the amounts referred to in the column headed "Proposed for 2025" in the Income Report are held, it is inexpedient to carry out or observe those trusts or to apply those amounts solely for the same or like purposes as those trusts.

4. Variation of trusts

The trusts on which the amounts referred to in clause 3 are held are varied to such extent as is necessary to permit the directions referred to in clauses 5 to 7.

5. Appropriations and allocations for 2025

- (1) The Synod directs that the amounts referred to in the column "Proposed for 2025" in the Income Report be appropriated and allocated in the manner specified in the corresponding column in the Allocations Report.
- (2) If, in the opinion of the Standing Committee, all or any part of an amount referred to in subclause (1) is not required or cannot be applied for the specified purpose, the Standing Committee may by resolution reallocate that amount or part to another purpose.

6. Indication of intention for Appropriations and Allocations for 2026 and 2027

(1) The Synod intends that the amounts referred to in the columns headed "Estimated for 2026" and "Estimated for 2027" in the Income Report be appropriated and allocated in the manner specified in the corresponding column in the Allocations Report.

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(2) The Synod directs that the Standing Committee pass all such ordinances as may be necessary, from time to time, to give effect to the Synod's intention.

7. Reallocation to successor entities

The Synod directs that the Standing Committee may reallocate any amount specified in the Allocations Report for the use of an entity to any other entity that is a successor of that entity (including where the purposes and functions of the entity are subsumed into the operations of another entity).

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

R TONG Chair of Committee

I Certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney on 23 September 2024.

B BOUNDS Secretary of Synod

I Assent to this Ordinance.

KANISHKA RAFFEL Archbishop of Sydney

25/09/2024