

Synod Membership Ordinance 1995 Amendment Ordinance 2024

No 20, 2024

Long Title

An Ordinance to amend the *Synod Membership Ordinance 1995*.

The Synod of the Diocese of Sydney Ordains as follows.

1. Name of ordinance

This Ordinance is the Synod Membership Ordinance 1995 Amendment Ordinance 2024.

2. Amendment

The *Synod Membership Ordinance 1995* is amended as follows –

- (a) insert a new subclause 5A(1A) as follows –

“(1A) The Registrar is to ensure that each Parochial Minister, alternative for a Parochial Minister, Chief Executive Officer of a Nominated Organisation, Nominated Minister, clergy Nominated Indigenous Representative and Other Member of Synod provides an equivalent form of consent to the consent appearing in subclause 5A(1) for the collection, use and disclosure of their personal information.”,
- (b) in subclause 5A(3)(c), after the matter “however arising”, insert the matter “or”,
- (c) insert a new subclause 5A(3)(d) as follows –

“(d) for the purpose of maintaining the diocesan registry and publishing a list of Synod members in the Diocesan Year Book,”,
- (d) delete the word “Synod” in the heading to Part 3A, and
- (e) insert a new clause 6D as follows –

“6D. Communications to members and access to information

 - (1) Without limiting any other powers, functions or entitlements, the Diocesan Secretary may for purposes related to a session or the business of Synod –
 - (a) circulate, or otherwise make available, a Synod Communication,
 - (b) circulate, or otherwise make available, materials to members of Synod upon the request and at the cost of a member of Synod,
 - (c) make the most up to date available list of Synod members’ names and basis for Synod membership available to any member of Synod for viewing upon request, and
 - (d) make the contact details of an individual member of Synod available to any other member for reasonable and direct communication on an item of Synod business.
 - (2) Any member of the Synod to whom the personal information of another member is disclosed under subclauses 6D(1)(c) or (d) must only use the information for the specific purpose for which it was disclosed and - in the case of subclause 6D(1)(d) - must not retain the contact details in any form after that purpose has been fulfilled, except with the consent of the relevant member.
 - (3) A member may opt out of receiving materials, or receiving materials via a particular means, under clause 6D(1)(b) by making a request to the Diocesan Secretary.
 - (4) The Standing Committee may from time-to-time –
 - (a) make regulations prescribing requirements to be followed in relation the implementation of this clause 6D, and
 - (b) give directions to the Diocesan Secretary with respect to whether material is related to a session or the business of Synod for the purpose of subclause 6D(1)(b).

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

KARIN SOWADA
Chair of Committee

I Certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney on 16 September 2024.

B BOUNDS
Secretary

I Assent to this Ordinance.

KANISHKA RAFFEL
Archbishop of Sydney

25/09/2024