

DIOCESE OF ARMIDALE

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND ORDINANCE 1935 - 1957

WHEREAS it is expedient to consolidate and amend the Church Extension Fund Ordinance 1924, The Church Extension Fund Ordinance 1924 Amendment Ordinance 1930 and the Church Extension Fund Ordinance 1924 Amendment Ordinance 1930 Amendment Ordinance 1934, the Synod of the Diocese of Armidale assembled in pursuance of the powers conferred upon it by the Constitutions for the management and good government of the Church of England within the State of New South Wales ordains and rules as follows:-

1. The Church Extension Fund Ordinance 1924 the Church Extension Fund Ordinance 1924 Amendment Ordinance 1930 The Church Extension Fund Ordinance 1924 Amendment Ordinance 1930 Amendment Ordinance 1934, are hereby repealed but such repeal shall not affect the past operations thereof nor anything done or commenced nor any rights privileges obligations or liabilities acquired accrued or incurred thereunder nor shall it revive any Ordinance heretofore repealed.
2. The Church Extension Fund already existing under the provisions of the Church Extension Fund Ordinance 1902 shall from and after the passing of this Ordinance be administered as hereinafter provided.
3. The Capital of the Fund shall consist of the amount of all outstanding loans the amount standing to the credit of the Fund in Government Stock together with any sums which from time to time at the discretion of the Bishop-in-Council, may be transferred from the accrued income of the Fund, donations to capital, bequests which may hereafter be made and a percentage of five per cent, on all Collections made as hereinafter provided and on all annual subscriptions to Income which have not been specially appropriated.
4. The income of the Fund shall consist of-
 - a) The amount standing to credit of the Fund in the Bank of New South Wales at the time of passing of this Ordinance.
 - b) Interest derived from Capital.
 - c) Voluntary subscriptions.
5. The Income of the Fund shall be available-
 - a) To augment the stipends of Clergy and Stipendiary Lay Readers in such parishes and Parochial Districts of the Diocese as to the Diocesan Council may seem necessary
 - b) To aid by grant in the purchase erection repair or enlargement of Churches Vicarages and Schoolrooms, and in obtaining sites for Church purposes.
 - c) To pay wholly or in part for the board and tuition of approved candidates for Holy Orders during their course in St. John Theological College, Morpeth or such other Theological College as the Bishop may propose and the Diocesan Council approve and in necessary cases to make small loans to such students.
 - d) To assist in defraying the expenses connected with the introduction of the Clergy or Lay Readers into the Diocese, and where necessary those incurred by transfer of Vicars or Assistant Curates within the Diocese. The Bishop and the Parochial Council concerned shall be consulted before any tender for the transport of furniture and effects is affected.
 - e) To aid in providing for the endowment of Parishes and Parochial Districts.

- f) And generally to aid all such Church work as may be connected with the extension of the Church throughout the Diocese.
 - g) And subject to regulations to be made by the Bishop-in-Council to grant Bursaries to approved students at the Armidale School or other approved Secondary Schools, preparatory to their entry to a Theological College and to sons and daughters of Clergymen at approved Schools.
6. The Fund shall be administered by the Diocesan Council.
 7. The Diocesan Council may from time to time make loans from the Capital of the Fund towards the purchase erection repair or enlargement of Churches, Vicarages, and Schoolrooms, as well as for such other parochial objects and purposes as it may deem advisable, and in obtaining glebe lands and sites for Church purposes and may also from the said capital make investments at its discretions.
All investments shall be made in the name of the Corporate Trustees of the Diocese of Armidale.
 8. A report of the Fund shall be presented to each ordinary session of Synod together with a balance-sheet, duly audited by the Diocesan Auditor or Auditors.
 9. Not more than five per cent of the Income of the whole Fund shall be paid annually to the Church Management Fund for the cost of management.
 10. The Diocesan Council may refuse grants from the Fund to any clergyman, lay reader, parish or parochial district failing to fulfil financial and other Diocesan obligations.
 11. The Diocesan Council may from time to time make by-laws for the regulation of the Fund.
 12. This Ordinance may be cited and known as “The Church Extension Fund Ordinance, 1935-1957.”