

DIOCESE OF NELSON STRUCTURES STATUTE 2005

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BE IT ENACTED by the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Nelson in Synod assembled and by authority of the same as follows.

1. The Short Title of this Statute shall be "The Diocese of Nelson Structures Statute 2005"

PART I

SYNOD

2. The Diocesan Synod shall meet at such time and place as shall from time to time be prescribed for that purpose by the Bishop but not less than once every year.
3. The presence of the Bishop, of one fourth of the Clergy of the Diocese qualified to be members of the Synod, and of one fourth of the Lay Representatives shall be necessary to constitute a meeting of the Synod for the due exercise of its powers.
4. For the purposes of assessing a one fourth membership of clergy, no ordained minister admitted to the Synod by virtue of holding a Permission to Officiate shall be counted as a member for the purpose of Section 3.
5. Every Act of the Synod shall be assented to by the Bishop and by a majority of the Members of the Clergy and by a majority of the Members of the Laity present in person at a duly constituted meeting.

PROVIDED that the President may declare a motion carried upon the voices unless a division be called for.

6. The Synod shall elect a Standing Committee from amongst the Clerical and Lay Members of Synod in accordance with the provisions of this Act.
7. (1) In case of the absence of the Bishop from the Diocese and if the Bishop shall be prevented by illness or other cause from acting personally the Synod shall be convened and presided over by the Vicar-General or by a Commissary specially authorised to do so.

(2) If the See be vacant the Synod or Standing Committee shall be convened and presided over by the Commissary appointed by the Primate under Title A, Canon I Clause 6.4.

(3) The Vicar-General or Commissary so authorised shall not exercise a vote as a member of the order of which the Vicar-General or Commissary is a member.
8. The Vicar-General or Commissary when presiding over the Synod shall exercise all the powers ordinarily exercised by the Bishop in the Synod.

9. Any resolution passed by the Synod shall remain in operation until rescinded or annulled.
10. Every Act passed by the Synod shall come into force on the day on which it is signed and dated by the President.
11. The Synod hereby delegates to the Standing Committee the appointment of a duly qualified auditor.
12. For the purpose of defraying the expenses of Synod and such other expenses as Synod shall direct Synod may make an assessment on the Parishes and Mission Units for a Synod Assessment Fund. The principles on which such assessment shall be made shall be decided from time to time by a resolution duly carried by Synod. The apportionment of the Synod Assessment to the several Parishes and Mission Units shall be made upon the recommendation of the Diocesan Finance Team.

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SYNOD MEMBERSHIP

2006 13. The Synod of the Diocese of Nelson shall consist of:

(1) The Bishop of the Diocese of Nelson, and any Assistant Bishop or Assistant Bishops licensed in the Diocese of Nelson.

(2) Ordained Ministers holding a licence issued by the Bishop of the Diocese of Nelson pursuant to section 6.4 The Diocesan Pastors Appointment and Termination Act 1996.

(3) The Chancellor of the Diocese of Nelson.

2010 (4) Such Lay representatives of Parishes and Designated Mission Units within the Diocese as are contained within the provisions of this Act.

2008 (5) For each session of Synod up to two persons from each regional deanery appointed by Standing Committee to represent the Youth of that deanery.

At least four months prior to Synod, Standing Committee shall invite expressions of interest from the youth of each deanery for these positions to be lodged with the Diocesan Secretary at least three months prior to Synod.

2010 PROVIDED however that no person holding office as an elected Lay member of a Parish or Designated Mission Unit or the Association of Anglican Women or any clergyperson holding the Bishops licence shall be eligible to be appointed under the provisions of this section.

(6) Two Lay persons residing in the Diocese of Nelson elected at the Annual meeting of the Association of Anglican Women in the Diocese of Nelson prior to the 30th June in the year of the first Session of each Synod.

2010 PROVIDED however that no person holding office as an elected Lay member of a Parish or Designated Mission Unit, or representing Youth shall be eligible to be elected under the provisions of this section. In the event of a vacancy occurring among such Lay members, the Diocesan Executive of the Association of Anglican Women may make an appointment for the balance of the term of the current Session of the Synod.

(7) Ordained ministers, other than those holding a licence from another Episcopal authority, who have been issued with a Permission to Officiate by the Bishop of the Diocese of Nelson under Title A Canon II Clause 1.9 shall have the right to a seat in the Synod with the right to speak but without the right to vote.

(8) The Diocesan Secretary shall ex-officio have a seat in Synod with a right to speak but without the right to vote unless otherwise entitled to vote by virtue of some other provision of this Act.

(9) Any ordained minister or lay member of any other Christian Church recognised by resolution of the General Synod/te Hinota Whanui and duly appointed to serve in or represent a co-operating parish or co-operative venture in which this Diocese is a partner is entitled to a seat in the House of Clergy or House of Laity in the Synod with the right to vote except when the Synod shall be acting under the following provisions, namely:

(9).1 Part B Clause 6(b) of the Constitution (alteration of the formularies)

(9).2 Part E Clauses 10 and 11 of the Constitution (nominating a Bishop)

(9).3 Part G Clause 4 of the Constitution (amending the Constitution)

(9).4 In respect of any proposal or matter pursuant to The Church of England Empowering Act 1928.

PARISH AND MISSION UNIT REPRESENTATIVES

14. (1) In this Statute unless repugnant to the context: -

2010 (a) "District" shall mean and include any Parish or Designated Mission Unit now constituted and any Parish or Designated Mission Unit hereafter to be constituted from the date of the constitution thereof.

(b) "Synod Representative" means a duly elected representative of the Laity in the Diocesan Synod.

2010 (c) "Designated Mission Unit" means the Mapua [Hills Community Church] Mission Unit or any other Mission Unit authorised by Synod or Standing Committee resolution to elect Lay synod Representatives under the provisions of section 13(4) of this Statute.

(2) The number of Lay representatives shall be as set out in the Second Schedule of the Statute. Such Synod representation shall be determined by the percentage that the population of each District bears to the total population of the Diocese and in particular -

(a) Districts containing five per cent and above of the total population of the Diocese ascertained as aforesaid shall be represented by three Synod representatives.

(b) Districts containing less than five per cent of the total population of the Diocese ascertained as aforesaid shall be represented by two Synod representatives.

(3) Standing Committee upon the release of the Department of Statistics information affecting such representation is authorised to amend the Second Schedule in accordance with the aforesaid provisions.

(4) When ever any new district shall be created or when the population of a district entitles it to a greater or lesser Synod representation in accordance with the formula set out in Section 14 (2) of this Act the Bishop shall forthwith take the necessary steps for the election of Synod representatives or additional Synod representatives for such district.

(5) Synod representatives shall be elected every third year at the Districts Annual Meeting of Parishioners for a period of three years and shall hold office until the 30th April of the year of the next election.

PROVIDED that if at any time prior to the 30th April of the election year the See shall have become vacant or if the Bishop shall have given notice of intention to resign the See then and in either of such case the election of Synod representatives shall not be held until the first Districts Annual Meeting of Parishioners after the Enthronement of the Successor to the said Bishop and the Synod representatives for that time being shall continue in office until the 30th April after the Bishop's enthronement.

- (6) The seat of any Synod representative shall be vacated by death or upon receipt by the Bishop of the resignation thereof in writing under the hand of such Synod representative or by such Synod representative being absent during one whole Session of Synod without leave of the Bishop.
- (7) In the event that any Synod Representative is prevented from attending any Session of Synod or there being a vacancy the Vestry of that District may appoint an alternate Synod Representative for that Session or subsequent sessions if applicable, provided that the Session is not acting as an Electoral College in which case no alternate may be appointed.
- (8) In case any district shall cease to exist as a separate Parish or Mission **Unit** or in case the number of Synod representatives to which any district is entitled shall be reduced no Synod representative already elected to represent such district shall cease for that reason to be a member of the Synod until the 30 April of the next election year for Synod representatives as herein provided.
- (9) In case any person shall be elected to a seat in the Synod for more than one district that person shall within seven days after notice of the fact given in writing by the Diocesan Registrar determine in writing to be forwarded to the Diocesan Registrar which of such districts that person will represent in Synod; forthwith after such determination has been received by the Diocesan Registrar the seat or seats which such person shall have elected not to accept shall be deemed to be vacant and if no such determination is received by the Diocesan Registrar within fourteen days after the delivery of such written notice to such person, the whole of the seats to which such person shall have been elected shall be deemed to be vacant.

STANDING COMMITTEE

15. (1) The Standing Committee of Synod shall consist of the Bishop and three Clerical and five Lay members of the Synod.

- (2) Each member of the Standing Committee (other than the Bishop) shall be elected by the Synod on a rotation basis for a term expiring at the election held in the third year following that member's election.

PROVIDED ALWAYS that in the event of an election to fill a casual vacancy the member shall be elected only for the balance remaining of the term of the former member.

PROVIDED FURTHER that if any member shall fail to attend two consecutive meetings without leave of absence or shall resign his/her seat the member shall ipso facto cease to be a member of the Standing Committee and an election to fill such casual vacancy for the balance of the term of the former member shall be held at the next Session of Synod. Until such election such casual vacancy shall be filled by the remaining members of the Standing Committee from other members of Synod.

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PROVIDED FURTHER that any Lay member who is not returned at the triennial elections of Lay representatives shall continue in office until the next session of Synod when an election to replace them, for the balance of their term (if any) shall be held.

- (3) (a) Nominations for the Standing Committee shall close at a time fixed by the President and notified to Synod members prior to Synod
- (b) Any member desirous of making a nomination shall do so in the form set out in the First Schedule hereto and hand the same to the Secretaries of Synod.
- (c) If the number nominated of either Order shall not exceed the number to be elected, the President shall forthwith declare the persons so nominated to be duly elected.
- (d) If the number nominated of either Order shall exceed the number to be elected, the President shall forthwith determine the day and hour of the election.
- (e) In the event of an election which includes an election to fill a casual vacancy the elected member obtaining the lowest number of votes shall be deemed to have been elected to fill the casual vacancy and shall be a member only for the balance remaining of the term of the former member.
- (4) The Bishop shall be ex officio Chairperson of the Standing Committee.

- (5) The Vicar-General or Commissary when presiding over the Standing Committee shall exercise all the powers ordinarily exercised by the Bishop in Standing Committee.
- (6) No business shall be transacted at any meeting of the Standing Committee unless the Bishop or the Vicar-General or the Commissary specially appointed for that purpose, and one Clerical and two Lay members shall be present.
- (7) The Standing Committee shall meet at least once in each quarter of the financial year, and at such other times as shall be necessary for the transaction of business. Special meetings may be convened by the Bishop whenever required by the Bishop.
- (8) Except as hereinafter provided, every resolution of the Standing Committee shall be assented to by the Bishop and a majority of the Clergy and by a majority of the Lay Representatives present in person at a duly constituted meeting.

PROVIDED that the Chairperson may declare a motion carried upon the voices unless a division be called for.

Powers under General Synod

- (9) In accordance with the legislation of the General Synod the Standing Committee shall have the following powers: -
 - (a) To report to the Primate if the Bishop is wholly unable to administer the affairs of the Diocese by reason of permanent infirmity.
 - (b) To originate any proposal for the creation of a new Diocese.
 - (c) To be and act as the Diocesan Trusts Board/Appointing Body.
 - (d) To endorse with approval all applications for the sale or exchange of land held for General Synod.
 - (e) To decide all questions which may arise between Trustees and ministers or the officers of any Parish or Mission District.

- (f) When acting as the Diocesan Trusts Board/Appointing Body, to represent the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia in the Diocese of Nelson for the purpose of "The Charitable Trusts Act 1957".

Powers under Diocesan Synod

- (10)(1) The Synod hereby declares that the Standing Committee shall have the following powers: -

(a) To make such by-laws as it may deem necessary for the due performance and orderly conduct of its business.

(b) To elect a member or members of the Board of Nomination in the event of Synod failing so to do; and to fill any vacancy which may occur in the said Board.

(c) To act under Section 6.6 of the Appointment and Termination Act 1996, in any appeal.

(d) To appoint the officers of Synod pursuant to the Standing Orders of Synod

(e) To be the custodian of the Diocesan Library, and to make such rules for its management as it may deem fit.

(f) To appoint an auditor.

(g) To constitute such portions of the Diocese not duly constituted as Parishes into Mission Districts and to define the boundaries thereof.

(h) To decide any question referred to it by any Trust Deed.

(i) To exercise all such powers and authorities as may be granted to it by the Diocesan Synod.

(j) To exercise its discretion as to the publishing of any notices of motion received by it before the Session of Synod.

(k) To exercise all such powers as may be committed to it by the Synod and especially to exercise all such powers as the General Synod shall from time to time authorise the Synod to delegate to such Committee.

(l) To appoint a Manager and with the approval of the Bishop an Editor for the publication of the Diocesan Magazine. The position of Manager and Editor can be held by the same person.

(m) To appoint the members of the Diocesan Finance Team.

(n) To revoke for good reason any appointment made by Standing Committee to the membership of any Board or Committee.

(o) To require such reports from the Committees in order to be satisfied that the decision of Synod and policy of the diocese is being implemented.

(p) In association with the Diocesan Finance Team to be responsible for the appointment of the Diocesan Secretary.

(q) Subject to sub-Section (10) (2) and (3) hereof and in accordance with Section 16 (Procedure for the Exercise of Delegated Legislative Powers) to repeal in whole or in part any Statute or Regulation deemed to be redundant and to amend any Statute or Regulation in order to ensure accuracy and relevance of wording.

(10)(2) The Standing Committee shall have no power or authority by virtue of sub-Section (10).(1) (q) of this Section to repeal, amend or add to:

(a) the Standing Orders of Synod

(b) Statutes of the Synod being respectively The General Synod Representation Act (1938) as amended and PART I of this Statute

(10)(3) The Standing Committee shall have no power or authority by virtue of sub-clause 10 (1) (q) to act on behalf of or in lieu of the Synod in any of the matters contained in the following Canons:

(a) Title A Canon I Clause 2.1 (Election of Diocesan Bishop)

(b) Title A Canon II Clause 2.2 (Election of Assistant Bishop)

(c) Title B Canon I Clause 1.1.4, 1.1.10 (Election of General Synod representatives)

(d) Title B Canon II and IV (composition of Diocesan Synod, variation of Diocesan boundaries)

(e) Title C and Title D Or under the provisions of Part III of the Anglican Church Trusts Act 1981 or under the provisions of the Church of England Empowering Act 1928.

(10)(4) That nothing herein before contained shall derogate from the power of the Diocesan Synod in session to require the Standing Committee to carry out any of the directions of the Diocesan Synod.

Duties

(11)The duties of the Standing Committee shall be: -

(a) To keep minutes of all Acts and Proceedings; and to lay before the Synod the Minute Book or a copy thereof at each Annual Session or if Synod is not in Session the Bishop may grant leave to any member of Synod to inspect the minutes relating to any particular matter.

(b) To act as a Council of Advice to the Bishop, when required by him, in all questions affecting the welfare of the Church.

(c) To prepare any business necessary for presentation to Synods and committees as may be required from time to time.

(d) To ensure that the Churchwarden's Books are properly and regularly kept in each Parish and Mission District.

(e) Not less than twenty eight days before the commencement of each Annual Session to post to each member of the Synod the Report of the Standing Committee and such other reports as may be necessary.

(f) On the first day of each annual session to present a report to the Synod containing the following: -

(1) A statement of the number of meetings held and the attendance of members of the Standing Committee thereat.

(2) A statement of its proceedings since the last Annual Session of the Synod including a report of the Diocesan Finance Team

(3) Full and duly audited accounts of all funds under its control made up to the close of the financial year last preceding.

(4) All such matters connected with the activities of the Church as may be required for the information and guidance of the Synod.

(5) A list of the appointments to Mission Districts if any which it specifically recommends to be vested in the Bishop.

(6) Such recommendations to the Synod as may from time to time be necessary.

(7) To be caused to be printed and published a Report of the Proceedings of the Synod. The Report shall contain: -

(a) Such information regarding the Diocese and its operations as may be deemed necessary.

(b) The full and duly audited accounts of the Synod funds and funds under the control of the Committee.

(c) The Reports of Sessional or other Committees and other matters, as directed by the Synod.

(d) A summary of Parish and Mission District Returns.

(e) All Acts and Resolutions passed during the Session and an account of the Proceedings of Synod.

PROCEDURE FOR THE EXERCISE OF DELEGATED LEGISLATIVE POWERS

16. Whenever the Standing Committee is exercising the powers given to it by Section 15 (10) (1) (q) of this Statute [as limited and declared by Section 15 (10) (2) & 15 (10) (3)] the following procedures shall apply:

(1) Every act or decision shall be assented to by a majority of the members of each of the three Orders present in person as provided in Section 15 (8) hereof.

(2) As soon as convenient following such meeting a copy of the Statute or decision shall be sent by the Diocesan Secretary to all voting members of Synod, which copy shall be accompanied by a Notice in the form set out in the Second Schedule hereto.

(3) Clerical and Lay members of Synod shall have the right to lodge a Notice of Objection in writing with the Diocesan Secretary to any Statute or decision assented to in exercise of powers under Section 15 (10) (1) (q), provided such objection be lodged within the time specified in the Notice forwarded to them pursuant to Section 16 (2).

(4) If two (2) or more clerical members and two (2) or more lay members so notify the Diocesan Secretary in writing of their objection on or before the date specified in the Notice (which date shall be set not less than 28 days after the Notice shall have been posted, excluding the day of posting), then the proposed Statute or decision shall have no effect and be referred to the next Ordinary Session of the Diocesan Synod for consideration as a Bill or Motion as appropriate.

(5) If fewer than two (2) clerical members or fewer than two (2) lay members so notify the Diocesan Secretary of their objection, or if no person notifies any objection, then the proposed Statute or decision shall be referred to the Standing Committee who may thereupon by a majority present in person assenting to same in each of the three Orders as provided in Section 15 (8) hereof confirm the same, or may by like decision decide to refer the same to the next Ordinary Session of the Diocesan Synod for consideration.

(6) Any amended or additional Statute, Regulation, or decision so confirmed by Standing Committee shall come into force at the conclusion of the meeting at which it is confirmed or otherwise in accordance with its specific terms whichever is the later.

(7) On the enactment or passing by the Standing Committee of any Statute or Regulation as hereinbefore mentioned, the text thereof

shall be certified by the Chairperson of the Standing Committee with these words or with words to the like effect:

"I certify that this [Statute, Regulation or Standing Resolution] was passed by the Standing Committee of Nelson on the day of..... 20.....

As witness my hand this day of20...." and such text so certified shall be deemed to be the original record.

(8) A copy of the text of any item certified under Section 16 (7) shall be sent by the Diocesan Secretary to all members of Synod as soon as convenient.

PART II

DIOCESAN MAGAZINE

17. (1) The Diocesan Magazine shall be hereinafter entitled "The Witness" or such other title as the Bishop and Standing Committee shall from time to time select.
- (2) The Standing Committee shall appoint a Manager and with the approval of the Bishop an Editor.
- PROVIDED that the offices of Manager and Editor may be combined. The Manager and Editor may appoint their own literary staff and business staff.
- (3) The magazine shall be controlled and published on behalf of Synod by the Manager and Editor, who will report to each Session of Synod. The Editor will be accountable solely to the Bishop of the Diocese for the policy of the magazine.

DIOCESAN FINANCE TEAM

18. (1) (a) The Diocesan Finance Team shall consist of not less than four (4) persons nor more than seven (7) persons appointed by Standing Committee. No business shall be transacted at a meeting of the team unless half the members are present.
- (2) (a) Each member of the Diocesan Finance Team shall be appointed for a three year term on a rotational basis.
- (b) Provided that if any member shall fail to attend two consecutive meetings without leave of absence membership of the Diocesan Finance Team shall cease.
- (3) Vacancies in the Diocesan Finance Team caused by death, resignation or for any other reasons shall be filled by Standing Committee.
- (4) It shall be the task of the Diocesan Finance team to provide an accountability check and oversight of Diocesan Finances and the Administration staff as they carry out the budgetary decisions of Synod. The tasks of the diocesan Finance Team include
- (a) The maintenance of reliable computer systems for reporting to Synod, Standing Committee and the Diocesan Finance Team.

(b) The monitoring of the financial performance of the Diocese, including income from the Diocesan Trust Board and Parishes, and the administration of the Trust Board.

(c) The oversight of the preparation and collation of the Diocesan Annual accounts and Budgets.

(d) Assisting Standing Committee in the development of financial policy.

(e) Receiving of regular reports from the Diocesan Secretary on the financial health of the Parishes.

(f) Monitoring and controlling the financial requirements and systems of the Anglican Centre and any related financial issues within the Diocese.

(g) Such other administrative, staffing and financial oversight tasks as the Trust Board or Standing Committee from time to time request.

- 2006 . (5) The Diocesan Finance Team shall have control of the Anglican Centre (Diocesan office) including the authority to appoint staff and fix remuneration.

Providing that, as in all matters, the Bishop has final authority.

Providing that the appointment of the Diocesan Secretary shall be made by the Standing Committee and the appointment of the Finance Manager shall be made with the concurrence of the Standing Committee and the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board.

- (6) The Diocesan Finance Team may delegate specific tasks to its Chairperson or other persons.

DIOCESAN PENSION COMMITTEE

19. (1) The Diocesan Pension Committee shall be responsible to New Zealand Anglican Church Pension Board and shall consist of six members appointed by Standing Committee.
- (2) Each member of the Diocesan Pension Committee shall be appointed for a term of three years on a rotational basis.

PROVIDED that if any member shall fail to attend two consecutive meetings without leave of absence then membership of the Diocesan Pension Committee shall cease and such casual vacancies shall be filled by Standing Committee for the balance of the term of the former member.

- (3) Vacancies on the Diocesan Pension Committee caused by death, resignation or for any other reason shall be filled by Standing Committee for the unexpired term of the former member.
- (4) It shall be the function of the Diocesan Pension Committee to represent the Diocese of Nelson as provided for in the rules of the New Zealand Anglican Church Pension Fund and the Welfare Fund Regulations operated by the New Zealand Anglican Church Pension Board.
- (5) The Diocesan Pension Committee shall be available to process requests received for financial assistance to make grants and to consider changes to the rules of the New Zealand Anglican Church Pension Fund and Welfare Fund as referred to it by the Pension Board. To provide advice to Diocesan Committees and Boards on any matters affecting the members of the Pension Fund and the clergy and employees of the Diocese generally.

MISCELLANEOUS

20. (1) The term "financial year" when used herein shall mean the period of twelve months ending on the last day of December in each year.
- (2) For the purposes of "The Charitable Trusts Act 1957" or any Act amending or re-enacting the same the Diocesan Synod or the Standing Committee shall be deemed to be a body constituted to represent the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia commonly called the Anglican Church in the Diocese of Nelson.
- (3) The Diocesan Secretary is empowered to collect all rents, interest and money due to the Synod or to the Standing Committee except where other-wise directed by any trust deed.
- (4) The members of the Diocesan Finance Team and all other Committees and similar Diocesan organisations shall elect from amongst the members of their respective Committee or organisation a chairperson for a term of one year, such

member being eligible for re-election for a further term or terms. The provision of this clause shall not apply to Synod, Standing Committee or any Committee or organisation that is convened by the Bishop but this proviso shall not operate to prevent the Bishop appointing a chairperson of any such Committee or organisation as the Bishop shall determine.

Charities Act requirements

- 20A Sections 20A to 20C apply to all properties, funds or other assets held under the authority of the Diocese of Nelson that are governed by New Zealand law.
- 20B In the event of a winding up or other failure of the trusts or purposes for which such properties, funds or other assets are held, they may not be applied for anything other than a charitable purpose.
- 20C No office holder shall participate in or materially influence any decision in respect of the payment to or on behalf of that office holder (or any associated person of that office holder, as defined by the Income Tax Act 2004) of any income, benefit or advantage whatsoever except
- (a) Where the income, benefit or advantage is derived from professional services rendered in the course of business and charged at no greater than current market rates;
 - (b) Where voting in Houses is required and the office holder votes in accord with a concurrent majority in the other two Houses (having taken no part in the prior discussion).

Explanatory note "Associated person" under the Income Tax Act includes spouses, close relatives ('close relatives' includes first cousins, great great grandparents and great great grandchildren). It can also include companies and trusts in which the office holder or an associated person has an interest.

REPEALS

21. The following ENACTMENTS are hereby repealed:

The Diocesan Organised Bodies Act 1991

THE FIRST SCHEDULE

Nomination Form for Standing Committee

I hereby nominate....., who has signified consent to this nomination, for election as a member of the Standing Committee.

Full name:.....

Signed:.....

Dated.....

THE SECOND SCHEDULE

(a) Districts entitled to three Synod Representatives:
(5% and above)

2008	Blenheim	Blenheim South
	Greymouth	Motueka
	Richmond	Stoke

(b) Districts entitled to two Synod Representatives:
(Less than 5%)

2008	All Saints'	Atawhai
	Awatere	Buller
	Christ Church Cathedral	Cobden/Runanga
	Golden Bay	Havelock
	Kaikoura	Mapua
	Motupiko	Murchison
	Picton	Reefton
	Spring Creek	Tahunanui
	Victory	Waimea
	Wairau Valley	Wakefield

THIRD SCHEDULE

Diocese of Nelson

NOTICE to all Clerical members and Lay members of Synod:

STATUTE PROPOSED BY A STANDING COMMITTEE

The Standing Committee has passed and proposes to confirm the Statute a copy of which is attached/enclose.

As a member of the Synod you have a right to object to this proposed Statute. You can object by completing and sending to the Diocesan Secretary an advice in writing stating your objection (and the basis thereof) and including:

- The date
- Your name
- Your address
- Your parish/ministry unit
- Your Order (clerical/Lay) in the Synod

And which you sign with your usual signature.

The advice must be sent to:

The Diocesan Secretary
PO Box 100
Nelson

(Or delivered to the Anglican Centre, 48 Halifax St, Nelson) to arrive no later than 5.00 pm on, the day of,20.....

(Signed: by/for
Diocesan Secretary)

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