



29 JUL 1977

*At the Court at Buckingham Palace*

THE 26th DAY OF JULY 1977

PRESENT,

THE QUEEN'S MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY  
IN COUNCIL

Whereas the Church Commissioners have duly submitted for confirmation by Her Majesty in Council the Scheme which is set out in the Schedule to this Order:

And whereas the provisions of the Pastoral Measure 1968 relating to the preparation and submission of the said Scheme have been duly complied with:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, is pleased hereby to confirm the said Scheme.

*N. E. Leigh*

## SCHEDULE

### PASTORAL SCHEME

This Scheme is made by the Church Commissioners this 26th day of May 1977 in pursuance of the Pastoral Measure 1968, the Right Reverend Kenneth, Bishop of Oxford, having consented thereto.

#### *Creation of new benefice of Lenborough*

1.—(1) The benefice of Gawcott and Hillesden and the benefice of Padbury with Adstock in the diocese of Oxford shall be united to create a new benefice which shall be named "The Benefice of Lenborough" and the area of the new benefice shall comprise the parish of Gawcott, the parish of Hillesden, the parish of Padbury and the parish of Adstock, which parishes shall continue distinct.

(2) If immediately before this Scheme comes into operation the Reverend Aubrey Francis Thomas Newell is incumbent of the benefice of Gawcott and Hillesden he shall be the first incumbent of the new benefice.

(3) Subject to clause 1(2) hereof, the right of presentation to the new benefice shall be exercised in a recurring series of three successive turns of which the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Christ in Oxford shall have the first turn, the Lord Chancellor on behalf of Her Majesty in right of Her Crown shall have the second turn, and the Chancellor, Masters and Scholars of the University of Cambridge shall have the third turn.

(4) (i) If before the date on which this Scheme comes into operation the parsonage house of the benefice of Gawcott and Hillesden has been disposed of pursuant to the powers conferred by the Parsonages Measures 1938 and 1947 and the Church Commissioners hold moneys arising from such disposal the said moneys shall be paid into the Oxford Diocesan Pastoral Account;

(ii) If upon the said date the said house has not been disposed of and the Reverend Aubrey Francis Thomas Newell is incumbent of the benefice of Gawcott and Hillesden it shall be vested in the incumbent of the new benefice in his corporate capacity as his residence; but if upon the said date the benefice of Gawcott and Hillesden is vacant, or upon such subsequent date as the Bishop shall certify in writing by an Instrument under his hand and deposited in the diocesan registry that the said house is no longer required for the residence of the incumbent of the new benefice it shall, together with the site and appurtenances thereof and the grounds usually occupied and enjoyed therewith, be transferred to the Oxford Diocesan Board of Finance for disposal in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 9 of Schedule 3 to the Pastoral Measure 1968;

(iii) The parsonage house of the benefice of Padbury with Adstock shall be vested in the incumbent of the new benefice in his corporate capacity and shall, subject to clause 1(4)(ii) hereof, be his place of residence.

#### *Creation of new benefice of Nash with Thornton, Beachampton and Thornborough*

2.—(1) The benefice of Beachampton with Thornton and Nash and the benefice of Thornborough in the diocese of Oxford shall be united to create a new benefice which shall be named "The Benefice of Nash with Thornton, Beachampton and Thornborough" and the area of the new benefice shall comprise the parish of Thornton with Nash, the parish of Beachampton and the parish of Thornborough, which parishes shall continue distinct.

(2) If immediately before this Scheme comes into operation the Reverend Arthur Frank Sorensen is licensed by the Bishop to serve within the area of either of the benefices referred to in clause 2(1) hereof he shall be the first incumbent of the new benefice.

(3) Subject to clause 2(2) hereof, the right of presentation to the new benefice shall be exercised in a recurring series of three successive turns of which Mrs. Susan Anne Joan Doulton of Thornton Hall, Thornton, Milton Keynes, in the county of Buckinghamshire and Sir Ralph Bruce Verney, Baronet, K.B.E., of Claydon House, Middle Claydon, Buckingham shall jointly have the first and third turns, and the Master and Fellows of Gonville and Caius College in the University of Cambridge shall have the second turn.

(4) The parsonage house of the benefice of Beachampton with Thornton and Nash shall be the place of residence of the incumbent of the new benefice.

#### *Creation of new benefice of Tingewick with Water Stratford, Radclive and Chackmore*

3.—(1) The benefice of Radclive with Chackmore and the benefice of Tingewick with Water Stratford in the diocese of Oxford shall be united to create a new benefice which shall be named "The Benefice of Tingewick with Water Stratford, Radclive and Chackmore" and the area of the new benefice shall comprise the parish of Tingewick, the parish of Water Stratford and the parish of Radclive with Chackmore, which parishes shall continue distinct.

(2) If immediately before this Scheme comes into operation the Reverend Robert Owen Noel Willmott is licensed by the Bishop to serve within the area of either of the benefices referred to in clause 3(1) hereof he shall be the first incumbent of the new benefice.

(3) Subject to clause 3(2) hereof, the right of presentation to the new benefice shall on each occasion be exercised jointly by the Oxford Diocesan Board of Patronage and the Warden and Scholars of Saint Mary's College of Winchester in the University of Oxford commonly called New College.

(4) The parsonage house of the benefice of Tingewick with Water Stratford shall be the place of residence of the incumbent of the new benefice.

#### *Creation of new benefice of Westbury with Turweston, Shalstone and Biddlesden*

4.—(1) The benefice of Shalstone with Biddlesden and the benefice of Westbury and Turweston in the diocese of Oxford shall be united to create a new benefice which shall be named "The Benefice of Westbury with Turweston, Shalstone and Biddlesden" and the area of the new benefice shall comprise the parish of Westbury, the parish of Turweston, the parish of Shalstone and the parish of Biddlesden, which parishes shall continue distinct.

(2) If immediately before this Scheme comes into operation the Reverend Raymond John Walter Hill is incumbent of the benefice of Westbury and Turweston he shall be the first incumbent of the new benefice.

(3) Subject to clause 4(2) hereof, the right of presentation to the new benefice shall on each occasion be exercised jointly by the Bishop of Oxford in his corporate capacity; the Dean and Chapter of the Collegiate Church of Saint Peter, Westminster; Mrs. Mary Lillias Geraldine Purefoy, of Saint Katherine's House, Wantage, in the county of Oxfordshire; and the Executors of the Will of the late Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Reginald Badger, care of Mrs. Elizabeth Maud Gordon of Biddlesden Park, Brackley, in the county of Northamptonshire.

(4) The parsonage house of the benefice of Westbury and Turweston shall be the place of residence of the incumbent of the new benefice.

(5) The moneys held by the Church Commissioners arising from the disposal of the former parsonage house of the benefice of Shalstone with Biddlesden shall be paid into the Oxford Diocesan Pastoral Account.

#### *Archdeaconry and rural deanery*

5. The new benefices created pursuant to this Scheme and their constituent parishes shall all belong to the archdeaconry of Buckingham and the rural deanery of Buckingham.

#### *Establishment of group ministry*

6.—(1) A group ministry shall be established for the benefices of Buckingham; North Buckingham; Lenborough; Nash with Thornton, Beachampton and Thornborough; Tingewick with Water Stratford, Radclive and Chackmore; and Westbury with Turweston, Shalstone and Biddlesden.

(2) If immediately before this Scheme comes into operation the Reverend Wilfred Harry Kimberley is incumbent of the benefice of Buckingham or the Reverend Derek Michael Tinsley is incumbent of the benefice of North Buckingham, he (or they) shall be the first person (or persons) to hold that benefice (or those benefices) as a benefice (or as benefices) in the group.

(3) If pursuant to this Scheme the Reverend Aubrey Francis Thomas Newell becomes first incumbent of the new benefice of Lenborough by virtue of clause 1(2) hereof, or the Reverend Arthur Frank Sorensen becomes first incumbent of the new benefice of Nash with Thornton, Beachampton and Thornborough by virtue of clause 2(2) hereof, or the Reverend Robert Owen Noel Willmott becomes first incumbent of the new benefice of Tingewick with Water Stratford, Radclive and Chackmore by virtue of clause 3(2) hereof, or the Reverend Raymond John Walter Hill becomes first incumbent of the new benefice of Westbury with Turweston, Shalstone and Biddlesden by virtue of clause 4(2) hereof, he (or they) shall be the first person (or persons) to hold that benefice (or those benefices) as a benefice (or as benefices) in the group.

(4) The Chairman of the chapter of the incumbents in the group ministry shall from time to time be appointed by the Bishop.

(5) The Bishop may by Instrument under his hand, with the concurrence of all the members of the group ministry, provide:—

- (a) for establishing a group council which shall comprise all the members of the group ministry and such number (not exceeding five) of lay representatives of each of the parochial church councils in the area of the group ministry as shall be specified in the Instrument, for the purposes of consulting together on matters of common concern;
- (b) for the election of the lay representatives by the said parochial church councils;
- (c) for the chairmanship, meetings and proceedings of the group council.

#### *Coming into operation of this Scheme*

7. This Scheme shall come into operation upon the first day of the month following the date of any Order of Her Majesty in Council confirming this Scheme.