

SUMMARY OF MAIN PROVISIONS OF DRAFT SCHEME (NOT PART OF THE DRAFT SCHEME)

*This draft Scheme provides for:*

- *the union of the benefice of Scruptoft and the benefice of Saint Chad, Leicester (their constituent parishes to remain distinct), for the appointment of the first incumbent of the new benefice and for his parsonage house to be that of the benefice of Scruptoft;*
  - *for the transfer to the Leicester Diocesan Board of Finance Limited of the parsonage house of the benefice of Saint Chad, Leicester for diocesan purposes;*
  - *and for the future patronage arrangements for the new benefice;*
- all in the Diocese of Leicester.*

**DRAFT**

**PASTORAL SCHEME**

This Scheme is made by the Church Commissioners this        day of 20    in pursuance of the Mission and Pastoral Measure 2011 (“the 2011 Measure”), the Right Reverend Martyn, Bishop of Leicester, having consented thereto.

**Union of benefices**

1. The benefice of Saint Chad, Leicester and the benefice of Scruptoft in the diocese of Leicester shall be united to create a new benefice which shall be named "The Benefice of Scruptoft and Saint Chad", and the area of the new benefice shall comprise the parish of Scruptoft and the parish of Saint Chad, Leicester which parishes shall continue distinct.

**Archdeaconry and deanery**

2. The new benefice and its constituent parishes shall belong to the archdeaconry of Leicester and the deanery of The City of Leicester.

**Designation of first incumbent**

3. If immediately before this Scheme comes into operation the Reverend Martin Jeremy Court holds an ecclesiastical office in either of the benefices referred to in clause 1 hereof he shall be the first incumbent of the new benefice.

**Assistant curates: consequential provision**

4. (1) If immediately before this Scheme comes into operation the Reverend Clare Maria King holds the office of assistant curate (however described) in either of the benefices referred to in clause 1 hereof she shall, in consequence of the union of benefices effected by the Scheme hold that office subject to the same terms of service in the new benefice of Scruptoft and Saint Chad.

(2) If immediately before this Scheme comes into operation any other person holds an office of assistant curate (however described) in either of the benefices referred to in clause 1 hereof he, she or they shall as consequence of the union of benefices effected by the Scheme hold such office or offices subject to the same terms of service in the new benefice of Scruptoft and Saint Chad.

**Place of residence**

5. The parsonage house of the benefice of Scraptoft (known as 331 Scraptoft Lane, Scraptoft, LE5 2HU) shall be the place of residence of the incumbent of the new benefice.

**Transfer of parsonage house**

6. The parsonage house of the benefice of Saint Chad, Leicester (known as St Chads Vicarage, 145 Coleman Road, Leicester LE5 4LH), together with the site and appurtenances thereof and the grounds usually occupied and enjoyed therewith, shall without any conveyance or other assurance be transferred to the Leicester Diocesan Board of Finance Limited for diocesan purposes.

**Patronage**

7. Subject to clause 3 hereof, the right of presentation to the new benefice shall on each occasion be exercised jointly by the Bishop of Leicester in his corporate capacity and the Leicester Diocesan Board of Patronage.

**Coming into operation of this Scheme**

8. This Scheme shall come into operation upon the first day of the month following the date of it being made by the Church Commissioners.

In witness of which this Scheme has been duly executed as a deed by the Church Commissioners.

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Right Reverend Martyn, )  
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Bishop of Leicester. )

Executed as a Deed by the Church Commissioners for England

acting by two authorised signatories:

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Signature of Authorised Signatory

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## Notes by the Diocesan office (not forming part of the draft Scheme)

The rationale behind the diocesan proposals is as follows:

**Deanery planning and clergy deployment has led to priestly oversight being shared between the two benefices and it now appropriate to formally unite the benefices, while leaving the parishes to continue as they are.**

Publication of this draft Scheme has been approved by the Church Commissioners but does not mean that they have taken a view on the merits of the diocesan case.

If they receive representations against the draft Scheme, the Commissioners will send all representations, both for and against, to the Bishop whose views will be sought. Individual representors will then receive copies of the Commissioners' correspondence with the Bishop (including copies of all the representations) and they may comment further in writing to the Commissioners in light of the diocesan response if they so wish.

If there are no representations against the draft Scheme, the Commissioners will make the Scheme and arrange for it to be brought into effect.

### Clause 4(2)

This clause has been included to ensure that any person holding an office of assistant curate (however described) shall as consequence of the union of the benefices effected by the Scheme hold such office or offices subject to the same terms of service in the new benefice Scraftoft and Saint Chad. Although there is currently no such unnamed office holder in post, this clause is included in case any such office holder is appointed before this Scheme comes into operation.

### Churches etc

This Scheme does not alter the existing status of any of the churches, chapels of ease or licensed places of worship in the affected parishes.

### Clause 6

It is the diocesan intention that the parsonage of Saint Chad, Leicester be used for clergy housing needs.