The Ecclesiastical Offices (Terms of Service) (Amendment) Directions 2015

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In pursuance of Regulation 23(1) of the Ecclesiastical Offices (Terms of Service) Regulations 2009(1), the Archbishops’ Council, in the exercise of its functions as the Central Stipends Authority, hereby makes the following Directions:

Citation and coming into force

These Directions may be cited as the Ecclesiastical Offices (Terms of Service) (Amendment) Directions 2015 and come into force on 1 December 2015.

Meaning of references to the Employment Rights Act 1996

In paragraph 1 of the Ecclesiastical Offices (Terms of Service) Directions 2010(2), for sub-paragraph (2) substitute—

“(2) In these Directions, “the 1996 Act” means the Employment Rights Act 1996(3); and a reference in these Directions to that Act, or to regulations made under it, is a reference to that Act, or to those regulations, as amended from time to time.”

The draft of these Directions was approved by the General Synod of the Church of England on **** 2015.

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THE COMMON SEAL of the Archbishops’ Council was hereunto affixed on **** 2015.

(2) S.I. 2010/1923.
(3) 1996 c.18.
EXPLANATORY NOTE
(This note is not part of the Directions)

These Directions amend the Ecclesiastical Offices (Terms of Service) Directions 2010 to provide that references in those Directions to the Employment Rights Act 1996, or to regulations made under it, are read as references to that Act, or to those regulations, as amended from time to time (rather than, as is currently the case, as references to the Act or regulations that had effect on 1 January 2011, when the Directions came into force).

As a result of that amendment, changes to the law relating to maternity, paternity, parental and adoption leave for employees will automatically apply to office holders under Common Tenure (unless and until Directions make further provision to the contrary).