

GENERAL SYNOD
DRAFT SCHEME AMENDING
THE DIOCESE IN EUROPE CONSTITUTION 1995

WHEREAS:

1. Paragraph 48 of the Diocese in Europe Constitution 1995 ('the Constitution') provides that amendments to the Constitution are to be embodied in a draft scheme which, if approved by not less than two-thirds of the Diocesan Synod of the Diocese in Europe present and voting, shall be laid by the diocesan Bishop before the General Synod.
2. The Constitution provides that no amendment to paragraphs 1 to 6, 22, 40, 41 or 48 (d) of the Constitution shall be made unless embodied in a draft scheme and an affirmative resolution of the General Synod obtained.
3. On the 2nd day of June 2014 the Diocesan Synod of the Diocese in Europe approved by not less than two-thirds of those present and voting the amendments to the Constitution to be made by the draft scheme set out in the Schedule hereto ('the Scheme'), which include amendments to paragraph 40 and 41 of the Constitution.

I NOW THEREFORE lay the Scheme before the General Synod for approval.

Dated this fifth day of June 2014

✠ David Hamid

Suffragan Bishop in Europe
acting in the vacancy in the See of Gibraltar and pursuant to an Instrument made under
Section 14 of the Dioceses, Pastoral and Mission Measure 2007

THE SCHEDULE

Scheme amending the Diocese in Europe Constitution 1995

1. In paragraph 40 leave out the word “two”.
2. In paragraph 41 leave out the word “two”.
3. Leave out paragraph 42(b) and insert:
 - “(b) The members of the house of clergy shall consist of
 - (i) all clerks in Holy Orders licensed in the Diocese and serving in the archdeaconry or the deanery (as the case may be); and
 - (ii) one or more clerks in Holy Orders holding permission to officiate in the Diocese who are resident in the archdeaconry or deanery (as the case may be) or who have habitually attended public worship in a chaplaincy in the archdeaconry or deanery during the preceding six months. One clerk may be elected or chosen for every ten such clerks or part thereof, elected or chosen in such manner as may be approved by the Bishop by and from such clerks.

Where a clerk in Holy Orders is licensed to serve or holds permission to officiate in more than one archdeaconry or deanery, the Bishop shall designate the archdeaconry or deanery in which the clerk is to be a member.”