

## **Draft Pastoral (Church Buildings Disposal) Scheme**

This Scheme is made by the Church Commissioners (“the Commissioners”) this ..... day of ..... 20.... under the Mission and Pastoral Measure 2011.

### **Background**

By a Scheme of the Commissioners made under the Pastoral Measure 1983 on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2012 the closed church of Saint Stephen, being one of the two parish churches of the parish of Gloucester, Saint Paul and Saint Stephen in the diocese of Gloucester and the land annexed or belonging thereto was appropriated to use for storage purposes and the Gloucester Diocesan Board of Finance was empowered to ‘hold’ the property for the said use.

By a further Scheme of the Commissioners made under the Mission and Pastoral Measure 2011 on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March 2015, the closed church of Saint Stephen in the diocese of Gloucester and the land annexed or belonging thereto was appropriated to use for Christian worship, services and other religious activities in accordance with the rites and customs of any Christian body designated by the Bishop for the time being of Gloucester and for community purposes and for storage and for purposes ancillary thereto and the Gloucester Diocesan Board of Finance was empowered to hold or licence the property for the said uses.

It is now desired to make new provision for the future of the property.

NOW, it is provided as follows:-

### **Future of the church building and annexed land**

1. The provisions of the 2012 scheme and the 2015 scheme are hereby revoked.
2. The Gloucester Diocesan Board of Finance shall demolish the closed church of Saint Stephen shown hatched on the annexed plan and shall dispose of the materials arising from the demolition.
3. The site of the hatched part and the land annexed or belonging thereto (together referred to as ‘the property’) denoted by the thick black line on the annexed plan shall be appropriated to residential and community use and purposes ancillary thereto.

### **Disposal**

4. The Gloucester Diocesan Board of Finance is hereby empowered to sell or lease the property for the said uses.

**Contents**

5. The contents of the building shall be disposed of as the Bishop shall direct.

**Coming into operation of this Scheme**

6. This Scheme shall not come into operation until such date or dates as the Commissioners shall determine following the making of this Scheme and different provisions of the Scheme may be brought into operation on different dates.

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

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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Signature of Authorised Signatory

# ST STEPHEN'S CHURCH, GLOUCESTER



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