

GENERAL SYNOD**DIOCESAN BOARDS OF EDUCATION MEASURE 2021 (CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS UNDER CANON B 12) REGULATIONS****Explanatory Notes**

The Diocesan Boards of Education Measure 2021 (Consequential Amendment to Regulations under Canon B 12) Regulations amend the Administration of Holy Communion Regulations 2015 to update certain definitions in consequence of the Diocesan Boards of Education Measure 2021.

Introduction

1. These Regulations are made under the Synod's power in paragraph 3 of Canon B 12 (the ministry of the Holy Communion). They amend the Administration of Holy Communion Regulations 2015 ("the 2015 Regulations") in consequence of the Diocesan Boards of Education Measure 2021 ("the 2021 Measure").

Regulation 1 Citation and commencement

2. Paragraph (2) provides for the Regulations to come into force on the day after that on which they are made by the Synod.
3. By way of background, section 23(1) of the 2021 Measure set a deadline of 1 January 2023 for the first new scheme in each diocese under section 3 of that Measure to come into effect. As each diocese was required to have its new scheme ready before that date, there is no need to make special provision for commencement depending on whether the new scheme in any given diocese is in effect or not. The amendment made by these Regulations will accordingly come into force on the same day for each diocese.

Regulation 2 Amendment of references to definitions

4. This regulation updates the definitions of "church school" and "head teacher" in regulation 4(5) of the 2015 Regulations. Those terms are currently defined by reference to the Diocesan Boards of Education Measure 1991 ("the 1991 Measure"). That Measure has been repealed by the 2021 Measure, which includes new definitions of those terms. Therefore, a consequential amendment is required to regulation 4(5) of the 2015 Regulations to ensure that "church school" and "head teacher" are defined by reference to the 2021 Measure.
5. The new definitions of those terms in the 2021 Measure reflect the changes in education law that have taken place since the 1991 Measure, notably the introduction of Academies, but do not make significant change beyond that.