

# Use of Church Property Amendment Ordinance 2003

No 8, 2003

## Long Title

An Ordinance to amend the Use of Church Property Ordinance 1995.

The Standing Committee of the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney Ordains as follows.

### 1. Name

This Ordinance is the Use of Church Property Amendment Ordinance 2003.

### 2. Amendment

The Use of Church Property Ordinance 1995 is amended as follows –

- (a) insert after the definition for Church Building in clause 2 the following further definition –
  - “non-occasional use” means the use of a Church Building on more than 3 occasions in any 12 month period; and
- (b) delete the words “which professes the apostolic faith” in paragraph (a) of the definition of Other Church in clause 2 and insert instead “whose profession of faith is Bible-based”; and
- (c) in clause 4(b) –
  - (i) insert the matter “in relation to non-occasional use,” before the words “an agreement”, and
  - (ii) delete the matter “paragraph (d)” and insert instead “subparagraph (c)(ii)”; and
- (d) delete the words “Other Church professes the Christian faith in a way consistent with the 39 Articles” in clause 5(1)(b) and insert instead the words “profession of faith of the Other Church is Bible-based; and”; and
- (e) delete clauses 5(1)(c) and (d) and the rider to clause 5(1) and insert instead the following –
  - “(c) in relation to non-occasional use, the Archdeacon –
    - (i) has reported on the basis of faith held by the group seeking use of a Church Building; and
    - (ii) is in possession of a copy of a draft agreement relating to such use in a form approved by the Property Trust.”; and
- (f) insert the matter “in relation to non-occasional use,” before the word “the” in clause 5(2)(b).

I Certify that the Ordinance as printed is in accordance with the Ordinance as reported.

PG KELL  
Chairman of Committees

I Certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Standing Committee of the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney on 24 March 2003.

MA PAYNE  
Secretary

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I Assent to this Ordinance.

PETER F JENSEN  
Archbishop of Sydney  
25/3/2003