DIOCESE OF BRISTOL

SCHEME FOR EMMANUEL BRISTOL

CHURCH REPRESENTATION AND MINISTERS MEASURE 2019

CHURCH REPRESENTATION RULE 24

A Scheme for the Representation of Emmanuel Bristol on Deanery Synod.

BACKGROUND

(1) In accordance with Rule 24 of the Church Representation Rules made under the Church Representation and Ministers Measure 2019 a Diocesan Synod must, at the direction of the Bishop who has made a Bishop’s Mission Order which is in force, make provision by a Scheme for the representation on such deanery synods as may be determined by the Scheme, of such persons to whom the Bishop’s Mission Order relates as are specified in or under the Scheme.

(2) The Bishop of Bristol has made a Bishop’s Mission Order on 18 April 2016 under Part 7 of the Mission and Pastoral Measure 2011 to provide for the Emmanuel Bristol Mission Initiative.

(3) The Bishop of Bristol has requested that the Diocesan Synod make provision for the representation of Emmanuel Bristol on the deanery synods for the parishes in which the congregations of Emmanuel Bristol meet.

THE SCHEME

The Diocesan Synod of the Diocese of Bristol in exercise of the powers conferred by Rule 24 of the Church Representation Rules makes the following scheme:
1. The provision of Rule 27A to 27D of the Church Representation Rules (Mission Initiative Rolls) shall apply to the Scheme subject to the following modifications:

1.1 Separate electoral rolls for each congregation of Emmanuel Bristol ("the Congregation Roll") shall be compiled by derivation from the Mission Initiative Roll of Emmanuel Bristol.

1.2 A person whose name is on the Mission Initiative Roll shall be entitled to be enrolled on a Congregation Roll if, had the congregation been a separate Mission Initiative, that person would have been entitled to be enrolled on the Mission Initiative Roll of that congregation, save that no separate application shall be required for enrolment on a Congregation Roll.

1.3 The Mission Leader shall keep the Congregations Rolls, and may determine in cases of doubt which roll is appropriate for any particular enrolment, subject to an appeal by the applicant to the Trustee Directors of Emmanuel Bristol (registered company 07421296 and registered charity 1139421).

1.4 In the year prior to the deanery synod elections following the coming into operation of this Scheme and thereafter for subsequent triennia the persons enrolled on a Congregation Roll shall, subject to sub-section 1.5 and 1.6 below, elect lay representatives for that congregation to the deanery synod for the parish in which the congregation mainly meets.

1.5 Only persons qualified to vote at such election shall be entitled to be elected as lay representatives under sub-section 1.4 above.

1.6 The number of lay representatives for Emmanuel Bristol as a whole shall be determined in accordance with the Deanery Synod Election Formula for the time being approved by Diocesan Synod and the number of lay representatives that shall be elected for each congregation shall be apportioned according to the numbers enrolled on the Congregation Roll.
2. The Clerks in Holy Orders licensed for the time being to Emmanuel Bristol shall be members of the House of Clergy Bristol West Deanery Synod.

3. This Scheme shall come into operation upon the date of the session of the Diocesan Synod at which it receives assent and it supercedes all previous Schemes.

Signed on the 20th day of June 2020

Signature of the President of the Bristol Diocesan Synod and Chair of the House Bishops of the Bristol Diocesan Synod