

SUMMARY OF MAIN PROVISIONS OF DRAFT SCHEME (NOT PART OF THE DRAFT SCHEME)

*This draft Scheme provides for:*

- *the termination of the plurality established for the benefice of Stainton with Hilton and the benefice of Brookfield;*
- *the union of the benefice of Hemlington and the benefice of Stainton with Hilton and their constituent parishes of Hemlington; and Stainton, but with the parish of Hilton continuing distinct;*
- *the transfer of the parsonage house of the benefice of Hemlington to the York Diocesan Board of Finance for diocesan purposes;*
- *the future patronage arrangements for the new benefice; and*
- *the new benefice of Stainton with Hemlington and Hilton and the benefice of Brookfield to be held in plurality by one incumbent, for the appointment of the first incumbent and her place of residence to be the parsonage house of the benefice of Brookfield and for the future patronage arrangements of the benefices so held in plurality,*

*in the diocese of York*

**DRAFT**

**PASTORAL SCHEME**

This Scheme is made by the Church Commissioners this                    day of  
20                    in pursuance of the Mission and Pastoral Measure 2011 ("the  
2011 Measure"), the Right Reverend Paul, Bishop of Whitby, duly appointed in that  
behalf pursuant to section 13 of the Dioceses, Pastoral and Mission Measure 2007,  
having consented thereto.

**Dissolution of plurality**

1. The plurality which was established by an Order made by the Right Reverend and Right Honourable Sentamu, lately Archbishop of York, in pursuance of the 2011 Measure on 26th day of August 2013 for the benefice of Stainton with Hilton and the benefice of Brookfield in the diocese of York shall be terminated.

**Union of benefices and parishes**

2. (1) The benefice of Hemlington and the benefice of Stainton with Hilton in the diocese of York shall be united to create a new benefice which shall be named "The Benefice of Stainton with Hemlington and Hilton".

(2) The parish of Hemlington and the parish of Stainton shall also be united to create a new parish which shall be named "The Parish of Stainton with Hemlington".

(3) The area of the new benefice shall comprise the new parish of Stainton with Hemlington and the parish of Hilton, which parishes shall continue distinct.

**Parish church**

3. The church of Saint Peter and Saint Paul, being the parish church of the parish of Stainton, shall be the parish church of the new parish.

## **Archdeaconry and deanery**

4. The new benefice and its constituent parishes shall belong to the archdeaconry of Cleveland and the deanery of Stokesley.

## **Designation of first incumbent**

5. If immediately before this Scheme comes into operation the Reverend Claire Dianne Todd holds an ecclesiastical office in either of the benefices referred to in clause 2(1) hereof she shall be the first incumbent of the new benefice.

## **Assistant curates: consequential provision**

6. If immediately before this Scheme comes into operation any person holds an office of assistant curate (however described) in either of the benefices and/or parishes referred to in clause 2 hereof he, she or they shall as consequence of the union of benefices and parishes effected by the Scheme hold such office or offices subject to the same terms of service in the new benefice of Stainton with Hemlington and Hilton.

## **Transfer of parsonage house**

7. The parsonage house of the benefice of Hemlington (known as Saint Timothy's Vicarage, 31, Coatham Close, Hemlington, Middlesbrough, TS8 9JW), together with the site and appurtenances thereof and the grounds usually occupied and enjoyed therewith, shall without any conveyance or other assurance be transferred to the York Diocesan Board of Finance for diocesan purposes.

## **Patronage**

8. The patronage of the new benefice shall be vested in the Archbishop of York in his corporate capacity.

## **Holding of benefices in plurality**

9. (1) The new benefice of Stainton with Hemlington and Hilton created pursuant to clause 2(1) hereof and the benefice Brookfield shall be held in plurality by one incumbent.

(2) If pursuant to clause 5 hereof the Reverend Claire Dianne Todd becomes the first incumbent of the new benefice of Stainton with Hemlington and Hilton she shall be the first incumbent of the benefices so held in plurality.

(3) The incumbent of the benefices so held in plurality shall reside in the parsonage house of the benefice of Brookfield (known as 89, Low Lane, Middlesbrough, TS5 8EF).

(4) Subject to clause 9(2) hereof, the right of presentation to the benefices so held in plurality (and for the duration only of the plurality) shall be exercised by the Archbishop of York in his corporate capacity.

## **Coming into operation of this Scheme**

10. This Scheme shall come into operation upon the first day of the month following the date of it being made by the Church Commissioners

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

SIGNED by the Right Reverend Paul, )

Bishop of Whitby. )

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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#### **Notes (not forming part of the draft Scheme)**

The Commissioners have been told by the Bishop on the advice of his Diocesan Mission and Pastoral Committee that the rationale behind the diocesan proposals is as follows:

**The benefice and parish of Hemlington was formed in 1993 from part of the area of the parish of Stainton. The church of St Timothy, Hemlington, the only church in the parish, is subject to severe structural challenges and was the subject of a recent draft pastoral scheme for closure and demolition. The parish has struggled in recent years and it has been agreed locally that the preferred way forward would be for the parish of Hemlington to re-unite with its mother parish.**

Publication of this draft Scheme by the Commissioners does not mean that we have taken a view on the merits of the diocesan case. We have a duty to publish draft Schemes based on diocesan proposals.

If we receive representations against the draft Scheme, we will send all representations, both for and against, to the Bishop whose views will be sought. Individual representors will then receive copies of our correspondence with the Bishop (including copies of all the representations) and they may comment further in writing to us in light of the diocesan response if they so wish.

If there are no representations against the draft Scheme, we will make the Scheme and arrange for it to be brought into effect.

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#### Clause 6

This clause has been included to ensure that any person holding an office of assistant curate (however described) shall as consequence of the union of the benefices and parishes effected by the Scheme hold such office or offices subject to the same terms of service in the new benefice. Although there is currently no such unnamed office

holder in post, this clause is included in case any such office holder is appointed before this Scheme comes into operation.

#### Churches etc

This Scheme does not alter the existing status of any of the churches, chapels of ease or licensed places of worship in the affected parishes. (The church of St Timothy, Hemlington, was the subject of a recent draft pastoral scheme for closure and demolition which will be brought into effect shortly).

#### Clause 7 – Transfer of Parsonage House of Hemlington

The future of this house is under consideration. The transfer to the York Diocesan Board of Finance will allow the flexibility for this consideration to be progressed as the future of the wider site, which also includes the site of the church of St Timothy, becomes clearer.