



# Cathedrals Measure 2021

2021 No. 2

*Governing instruments, etc.*

## 4 Constitution: objects

- (1) The constitution must specify the following as the only objects of the Chapter of a cathedral—
  - (a) to advance the Christian religion in accordance with the faith and practice of the Church of England, in particular by furthering the mission of the Church of England;
  - (b) to care for and conserve the fabric and structure of the cathedral church building;
  - (c) to advance any other charitable purposes which are ancillary to the furtherance of the purpose referred to in paragraph (a) or (b).
- (2) In subsection (1)—

“the mission of the Church of England” means the whole mission of the Church of England, pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical;

“cathedral church building” means, in the case of each cathedral, the buildings within the ecclesiastical exemption for that cathedral;

“charitable purposes” means purposes within section 2(1) of the Charities Act 2011.
- (3) In furthering the objects set out in subsection (1), the Chapter must act for the public benefit within the meaning of section 4(3) of the Charities Act 2011.
- (4) A reference in this Measure to the constitution in relation to a cathedral is—
  - (a) in relation to times before the commencement under section 53(3) of certain provisions of this Measure in relation to that cathedral, a reference to the constitution of the cathedral, and
  - (b) in relation to times after that commencement, a reference to the constitution of the Chapter.