
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This is the first Commencement Order bringing into force provisions of the Church of England (Miscellaneous Provisions) Measure 2020.

Sections 12 to 16 (provisions concerning the validity of certain leases, pensions, the constitution of the General Synod, cross-references in the Mission and Pastoral Measure 2011, and the short title, commencement and extent of the Measure) came into force on Royal Assent (16th March 2020).

The Order brings the remaining provisions, except section 1(4) and (5) and section 8, into force on 1st September 2020.

Section 1(4) and (5) (which provide a definition of “religious community” by reference to Canonical provision yet to be enacted) and section 8 (which amends the Parochial Registers and Records Measure 1978 to take account of register books of services kept in electronic form in accordance with Canonical provision yet to be enacted) will be brought into force by subsequent order or orders.