
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2023 No. 863

**The Church Representation Rules
(Amendment) Resolution 2023**

Uncontested election of parochial representatives of laity

2. In Part 9 (parish governance: model rules), in Rule M9 (conduct of election of parochial representatives of laity), for paragraph (3) substitute—

“(3) If the number of candidates does not exceed the number of seats to be filled, any person who is entitled to attend the meeting may move a resolution that a vote be held, in the case of each candidate, on whether that candidate should be elected.

(3A) Where a resolution under paragraph (3) is passed, a vote is to be held on the proposition, in the case of each candidate, that that candidate should be elected; and for that purpose—

- (a) every person whose name is on the roll of the parish is entitled to take part in a vote held under this paragraph,
- (b) each person so entitled may, in the case of each candidate, cast only a single vote for or against the proposition (and Rule M10 accordingly does not apply to the vote), and
- (c) paragraphs (7) to (10) of this Rule apply to the vote.”