



Which Scheme or Order?

The table below sets out the types of pastoral reorganisation and the instrument which can be used. Please note that one type may be achieved in different ways. The Mission and Pastoral Measure sets out what a scheme, order and Bishop's Pastoral Order are able to do.

SECTION OF MPM 2011	TYPE OF PASTORAL REORGANISATION	SCHEME	ORDER / S.17 ORDER	BISHOP'S PASTORAL ORDER
SECTION 31	Create, by union or otherwise, new benefices and/or parishes	Y	N	N
	Dissolve existing benefices or parishes	Y	N	N
	Alter areas of existing benefices or parishes	Y	Y ⁽¹⁾	N ⁽⁵⁾
	Transfer parish from one benefice to another	Y	Y ⁽¹⁾	N
	Create or incorporate an extra-parochial place	Y	N	N
	Alter or define an extra-parochial place	Y	Y ⁽¹⁾	Y
	Alter name of any benefice or parish	Y	Y	Y
SECTION 32	Hold in plurality any two or more benefices	Y	Y ⁽²⁾	Y
SECTION 33	Create or alter an archdeaconry	Y	Y ⁽²⁾	Y
	Dissolve an archdeaconry	Y	Y ⁽²⁾	Y ⁽⁶⁾
	Create, alter, or dissolve a deanery	Y	Y	Y
	Alter the name of any archdeaconry or deanery	Y	Y	Y
SECTION 34	Establish a team ministry and designate team rector/team vicars	Y	N	N
SECTION 35	Establish a group ministry and designate first person to hold any benefice as a benefice in the group	Y	Y	N
SECTION 36	Terminate a group ministry	Y	Y	Y
	Alter a group ministry by changing the benefices in the group	Y	Y	N
	Terminate a team ministry	Y	N	N



	Alter a team ministry by amending number of team vicars; changing term of years of team rector/team vicars/certain team members; providing for team vicars to be chosen by patronage board; providing for right of presentation of team rector to be transferred to a patronage board or diocesan board of patronage	Y	Y ⁽²⁾	Y ⁽⁷⁾
SECTION 38	Designate the first incumbent of a new benefice	Y	N	Y
	Designate the first incumbent of benefices to be held in plurality	Y	Y	Y
SECTION 41	Designate any church in a parish as a parish church	Y	Y ⁽⁴⁾	N
	Provide for a parish church to become a chapel of ease	Y	Y	N
SECTION 42	Declaration of closure for regular public worship of all or part of a consecrated church	Y	N	N
SECTION 44	Appropriate to another use or dispose of all or part(s) of certain churchyards and burial grounds	Y	N	N
SECTION 45	Designate a parsonage house in a benefice as the place of residence of the incumbent	Y	Y ⁽³⁾	Y
	Designate any house as the place of residence of any team vicar	Y	Y ⁽³⁾	Y
	Transfer to any incumbent of a parsonage house, or a house situated on any diocesan glebe land or parsonage land, as the official residence of the incumbent	Y	Y ⁽³⁾	N
	Transfer of a parsonage house or parsonage land as glebe, disposal or use for parochial or diocesan purposes	Y	Y	N
SECTION 46	Exchange or transfer rights of patronage of any benefice	Y	Y	N ⁽⁸⁾
	Vest patronage of new benefice in patron(s) or special patronage board	Y	N	N



	Vest patronage of benefices to be held in plurality in patron(s)	Y	Y	N
SECTION 49(f)	Alter boundaries between parishes in different dioceses	Y	Y ⁽¹⁾	N

(1) Such matters may be dealt with by an order providing that they do not involve the transfer of any church (as defined in s.106) from one benefice or parish to another.

(2) Such matters may be dealt with by an order providing that they do not require any benefice to be vacated (under s.39(2)) or provide for dissolving any archdeaconry or abolishing any office of team vicar except with the assent of the archdeacon or vicar or on a vacancy (see s.51(1)).

(3) Such matters may be dealt with by an order except in so far as they relate to a new benefice.

(4) A scheme or order is not required for proposals relating solely to the designation of a church to be a parish church in a parish that has no existing parish church (see Volume 2 14.4 and 14.15).

(5) A Bishop's Pastoral Order can only alter areas by altering the area of an extra-parochial place.

(6) Only when the archdeaconry is vacant.

(7) A BPO can increase the number of team vicars in a team. It can also reduce the number, but only when the office being abolished is vacant.

(8) Though it is possible to use a BPO to transfer a right of patronage in a Team Ministry which is held by the Diocesan Board of Patronage.