BISHOP'S INSTRUMENT

The Bishop of Bristol, in exercise of the powers conferred by Rule 78(5)(b) of the Church Representation Rules, makes the following provision and is made on and has affect from the date on which it is made until revoked.

Meetings of the parochial church council ('PCC')

- 1. Part 9 of the Church Representation Rules (parish governance), apply with the following modifications:
 - a. A reference to a meeting of the parochial church council ('PCC') includes a reference to a meeting at which persons may attend, speak at, vote in, or otherwise participate in without all of the persons, or without any of the persons, being together in the same place.
 - b. A reference to a place where a meeting of the PCC is held, or is to be held, includes a reference to more than one place, including electronic, digital or virtual locations, web addresses or conference call telephone numbers.
 - c. A person is to be regarded as present at a PCC meeting at any given time if the person is at that time able to hear and be heard, and where practicable see and be seen, by the other persons present.
 - d. A vote may be taken by such electronic method of voting as may be determined by the Standing Committee
 - e. A reference in this Instrument to being present at a PCC meeting includes a reference to being present by electronic means, including by telephone conference, video conference, live webcast and live interactive streaming

Signature of Bishop of Bristol: