

# Faculty Jurisdiction Rules 2000

## Appendix A Archdeacon's Jurisdiction in Faculty Matters

### (A)

In addition to any authority conferred on the archdeacon by the chancellor's guidance under section 11(8) of the Measure, the archdeacon has jurisdiction in faculty matters in respect of any of the matters set out below which affect any parish church, licensed building, consecrated chapel, curtilage of such building or churchyard (whether consecrated or not), which is within the jurisdiction of the consistory court.

### (B)

In any case where a church has been in receipt of grand aid from English Heritage or other publicly funded grant making body, a faculty shall not be granted until the archdeacon is satisfied that the specification for the works to the fabric under items 1(i) and (ii) or works involving additions to the fabric under item 2(b) has been agreed with English Heritage or other publicly funded grant making body as is required by the terms of the relevant grant.

## 1. Work to the fabric

- (i) Minor structural alterations not involving demolition or partial demolition;
- (ii) external or internal decoration or redecoration;

except where in the opinion of the advisory committee the work proposed is likely to affect the character of the church as a building of special architectural or historic interest;

- (iii) repairs (using matching materials);
- (iv) treatment of timber against beetle or fungal activity.

## 2. Work affecting fixtures

### (a) Repairs

- (i) repairs and alterations to an existing heating system;
- (ii) repairs to and redecoration of fixtures (with matching materials);
- (iii) repairs to broken or cracked quarries in clear glazed windows;
- (iv) repairs, rewiring and minor alterations to an existing electrical system;
- (v) repairs to lightning conductors;
- (vi) repairs to organs or harmoniums using matching materials;
- (vii) repairs using matching materials to bells and bell frames and replacement of parts not requiring the removal of the bells from their frames;
- (viii) repairs using matching materials to and redecoration of clock and clock faces;
- (ix) treatment of fixtures against beetle or fungal activity;
- (x) repair of flagpole fixed to the fabric of the building;
- (xi) repair of wire mesh window guards with non-ferrous fittings.

### (b) New work

The following items of new work (except where the advisory committee has certified that the work proposed is likely to affect:

- (a) the character of the church as a building of special architectural or historic interest, or
- (b) the archaeological importance of the church, or
- (c) archaeological remains existing within the church or its curtilage):
  - (i) installation of a new heating system including laying of electrical cables, gas pipes or water mains through the churchyard;
  - (ii) installation of a sound reinforcement system or loop system or alteration to an existing system;
  - (iii) installation of a new electrical system or lighting or floodlighting including laying of electrical cables through the churchyard;

- (iv) installation of a wall offertory box;
- (v) installation of a wall safe in a vestry;
- (vi) installation of a lightning conductor;
- (vii) installation of security cameras and alarms or closed circuit television security systems;
- (viii) installation of wire mesh window guards with non-ferrous fittings.

### **3. Work affecting movables**

- (i) introduction of any article which may lawfully be used in the performance of divine service or the rites of the Church (other than an aumbry);
- (ii) repairs to movables (using matching materials) not including Royal Coats of Arms, unfixed hatchments, heraldic achievements, paintings, historic textiles, historic silver and base metal work;
- (iii) installation of minor items of furniture or minor fixtures in the church;
- (iv) provision of new or replacement carpets and curtains;
- (v) introduction of altar frontals and falls;
- (vi) a scheme for replacement of all or a substantial number of hassocks;
- (vii) laying up of banners;
- (viii) introduction of a Book of Remembrance and a stand for it; and
- (ix) removal or disposal of any items (iii)-(vii) above.

### **4. Work affecting churchyards**

- (i) re-surfacing of paths in the same material resulting in the same appearance;
- (ii) repairs to walls, fences, gates and lych gates where matching materials are to be used;
- (iii) introduction of a garden seat (including any memorial inscription);
- (iv) provision or replacement or repainting in a new colour scheme of a noticeboard;
- (v) introduction of a free standing flagpole.