

Saint Augustine, Tonge Moor, the said parish of Bolton-le-Moors, the said new parish of Lever Bridge, and the said new parish of Saint John, Little Bolton, are cures wherein or in parts whereof the provision for public worship and for pastoral superintendence is insufficient for the spiritual wants of the inhabitants thereof.

“And whereas in pursuance of the power and authority given by an Order and Decree of Your Majesty’s High Court of Chancery bearing date the fourth day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, approving a scheme for the regulation and management of the ‘Bolton Lectureship Charity Estate’ and of certain Orders of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales bearing date respectively the ninth day of May, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one and the twelfth day of August, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three amending the said Order and Decree of the fourth day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, a clear annual sum of one hundred and fifty pounds has been provided out of the revenues of the said estate and is available for and towards the endowment of the district hereinafter recommended to be constituted and for and towards the maintenance of the minister thereof, so soon as such minister shall have been appointed and licensed thereto and of his successors ministers of the same district and when the same district shall have become a new parish then of the minister or incumbent of such new parish.

“And whereas the said annual sum of one hundred and fifty pounds is available as aforesaid and has been so provided upon the understanding that (such arrangement appearing to us to be expedient) the right of patronage of the said district hereinafter recommended to be constituted and of the nomination of the minister thereof should be assigned in the manner hereinafter mentioned.

“And whereas the trustees of the said Bolton Lectureship Charity Estate have nominated to us as the persons to whom they the said trustees desire that the right of patronage of the said proposed district should be assigned, the Right Reverend Edmund Arbutnott, Bishop of the said diocese of Manchester, and his successors Bishops of the same diocese for ever, for the first and each and every alternate turn of appointment, and themselves the said trustees and their successors for the second and each and every other alternate turn of appointment.

“Now therefore with the consent of the said Edmund Arbutnott, Bishop of the said diocese of Manchester (in testimony whereof he has signed and sealed this scheme), we, the said Ecclesiastical Commissioners, humbly recommend and propose that all those contiguous portions of the said new parish of Tonge, of the said new parish of Saint Augustine, Tonge Moor, of the said parish of Bolton-le-Moors, of the said new parish of Lever Bridge, and of the said new parish of Saint John, Little Bolton, which are described in the schedule hereunder written and which are delineated and set forth upon the map or plan hereunto annexed, shall upon and from the day of the date of the publication in the London Gazette of any Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying this scheme become and be constituted a

separate district for spiritual purposes and that the same shall be named ‘The District of Saint Chad, Tonge Fold.’

“And we further recommend and propose that the patronage of the said proposed district or new parish and the right of nomination of the minister or incumbent thereof for the first and thereafter every alternate turn of presentation or nomination shall without any assurance in the law other than this scheme and any duly gazetted Order of Your Majesty in Council ratifying the same and upon and from the day of the date of the publication of such Order in the London Gazette as aforesaid be assigned to and be absolutely vested in and shall and may from time to time be exercised by the said Edmund Arbutnott, Bishop of the said diocese of Manchester, and his successors Bishops of the same diocese for ever, and that such patronage and right of nomination aforesaid shall for the second and every subsequent alternate turn of presentation or nomination be in like manner assigned to and be absolutely vested in and be from time to time exercised by the said trustees of the Bolton Lectureship Charity Estate aforesaid and their successors for the time being.

“And we further recommend and propose that nothing herein contained shall prevent us from recommending and proposing any other measures relating to the matters aforesaid or any of them in accordance with the provisions of the said Acts or of either of them or of any other Act or Acts of Parliament.

“The SCHEDULE to which the foregoing Scheme has reference.

“The District of Saint Chad, Tonge Fold, comprising:—All those contiguous portions of the new parish (sometime district) of Tonge, of the new parish (sometime particular district) of Saint Augustine, Tonge Moor, of the parish of Bolton-le-Moors, of the new parish (sometime district) of Lever Bridge, and of the new parish (sometime district) of Saint John, Little Bolton, all in the county of Lancaster and in the diocese of Manchester, which are comprised within and are bounded by an imaginary line commencing at the point south of Tonge Bridge (which carries Bury Road across the River Tonge) where the boundaries of the said parish of Bolton-le-Moors, the said new parish of Saint Augustine, Tonge Moor, the said new parish of Tonge, and the said new parish of Lever Bridge all meet, and extending thence first southward, then westward, then again southward, and then south-eastward along the middle of the River Tonge (thereby crossing the boundary which divides the said new parish of Tonge from the said new parish of Lever Bridge) for a distance of fifty-one chains or thereabouts to its junction with Bradshaw Brook, and extending thence first eastward and then generally northward along the middle of Bradshaw Brook (thereby crossing the boundary which divides the said new parish of Lever Bridge from the said new parish of Tonge) for a distance of one mile and twenty-three chains or thereabouts to the boundary which divides the said new parish of Tonge from the said new parish of Saint Augustine, Tonge Moor, and extending thence first north-westward and then south-westward along the last-mentioned boundary (thereby following in part the middle