

Scheme), we, the said Church Commissioners, humbly recommend and propose that 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 and without any conveyance or assurance in the law other than such duly gazetted Order, the said interest of the said Joseph William Churchill in the advowson or perpetual right of patronage of and presentation to the said benefice shall be transferred to and shall thereupon and thenceforth become and be absolutely vested in Your Majesty, Your Heirs and Successors, and shall and may from time to time be exercised by the Lord High Chancellor on behalf of Your Majesty for ever."

And whereas the said Scheme has been approved at the Council held under the authority of the said Letters Patent:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret and His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester, being authorized thereto by the said Letters Patent, have taken the said Scheme into consideration, and do hereby, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council, on Her Majesty's behalf ratify the said Scheme, and order and direct that the same and every part thereof shall be effectual in law immediately upon the publication of this Order in the London Gazette pursuant to the said Acts.

And do hereby, by and with the like advice, direct that this Order be forthwith registered by the Registrar of the said diocese of Ely.

W. G. Agnew.

At the Court of Saint James, the 13th day of May, 1954.

PRESENT,

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother.

Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret.

His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester.

Lord President.

Earl Alexander of Tunis.

Sir Walter Monckton.

Mr. Macleod.

WHEREAS Her Majesty, in pursuance of the Regency Acts, 1937 to 1953, was pleased, by Letters Patent dated the twentieth day of November, 1953, to delegate to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester, Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal and the Earl of Harewood, or any two or more of them, as Counsellors of State, full power and authority during the period of Her Majesty's absence from the United Kingdom to summon and hold on Her Majesty's behalf Her Privy Council and to signify thereat Her Majesty's approval of anything for which Her Majesty's approval in Council is required:

And whereas the Church Commissioners have duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a Scheme bearing date the 29th day of April, 1954, in the words and figures following, that is to say:—

"We, the Church Commissioners, acting in pursuance of the New Parishes Measure, 1943, have prepared and humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council the following Scheme for constituting a new parish to be taken out of the parish of Holy Trinity, Northwood in the diocese of Lichfield.

"SCHEME.

"Whereas we, the Church Commissioners, are satisfied that the spiritual interests of the area defined in the subjoined Schedule and delineated on the map hereto annexed would be best served by constituting it a new parish:

"And whereas we are satisfied that a suitable endowment therefor will be provided:

"And whereas we have not approved any consecrated church within the area as suitable to be the parish church of the new parish:

"Now, therefore, with the consent of the Right Reverend Stretton, Bishop of Lichfield (in testimony whereof he has set his hand and affixed his episcopal seal to this Scheme), we, the said Church Commissioners, do humbly recommend and propose as follows, that is to say:—

"1. Constitution:

"(a) As from the day of the date of the licence thereto of a minister, the area defined in the subjoined Schedule and delineated on the map hereto annexed shall be a separate district for spiritual purposes.

"(b) As from the date of the consecration of a church within the area approved by us, the said Church Commissioners, as suitable to be a parish church, or if the church is consecrated before such approval, the date of such approval, the said area shall become a new parish.

"(c) The name of the district (or parish) shall be 'The District (or Parish) of Saint Matthew, Birches Head'.

"2. Archdeaconry and Rural Deanery:

"The parish shall be in the Archdeaconry and rural deanery of Stoke-on-Trent.

"THE SCHEDULE.

"The area comprising:—

"All that part of the parish of Northwood (coloured pink on the map annexed hereto) which is bounded on the east by the parishes of Saint Philip and Saint James, Milton and Bucknall cum Bagnall, on the north by the district or parish of Saint Andrew, Sneyd Green as defined and directed to be constituted by an Order of Your Majesty in Council dated 21st October, 1952, and published in the London Gazette of 24th October, 1952, on the north-west by the parish of Christ Church, Cobridge, on the west and part of the south by the parish of Hanley with Hope and on the remaining part of the south generally by an imaginary line commencing at a point on the boundary which divides the said parish of Northwood from the said parish of Hanley with Hope in the middle of Bow Street and extending thence northeastwards along the middle of the said Bow Street to its northeastern end continuing thence northeastwards first to and then along the middle of High Street to a point opposite the middle of the Northern end of Plough Street and continuing thence in a northeasterly direction first to and then along the middle of Hulton Street to a point opposite the middle of the northwestern end of Merrick Street and continuing thence in a southeasterly direction along the middle of the said Merrick Street to its southeastern end and continuing thence south-eastwards first to and then along the middle of Keelings Lane to a point opposite the middle of the southwestern end of Turner Street and continuing thence in a northeasterly direction along the middle of the said Turner Street to a point where it meets the middle of Oak Street and continuing thence in a southeasterly direction along the middle of the said Oak Street to a point where it meets the middle of Rose Street and continuing thence in a northeasterly direction along the middle of the said Rose Street for a distance of 2½ chains, approximately, to a point in the middle of the unnamed stream or brook running in a southeasterly direction at the rear of the houses and premises on the northeastern side of Prime Street and continuing thence in a southeasterly direction along the middle of the said unnamed stream or brook to a point where it meets the boundary of the said parish of Bucknall cum Bagnall in the middle of the river Trent (thereby crossing Caldon Canal)."

And whereas the provisions of the New Parishes Measure, 1943, relating to the preparation and submission of this Scheme, have been duly complied with:

And whereas the said Scheme has been approved at the Council held under the authority of the said Letters Patent:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret and His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester, being authorized thereto by the said Letters Patent, have taken the said Scheme into consideration, and do hereby, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council, on Her Majesty's behalf ratify the said Scheme and order and direct that the same and every part thereof shall be effectual in law immediately upon the publication of this Order in the London Gazette pursuant to the said Measure.

And do hereby, by and with the like advice, direct that this Order be forthwith registered by the Registrar of the said diocese of Lichfield.

W. G. Agnew.