

wall or fence which forms the western boundary of close No. 310 and continuing thence southwards along the last mentioned wall or fence to the wall or fence which forms the northern boundary of close No. 295 and continuing thence eastwards along the last mentioned wall or fence to the northern end of the wall or fence which forms the boundary of close No. 295 and continuing thence southwards along the last mentioned wall or fence to the wall or fence which forms the south western boundary of the last mentioned close and continuing thence northwards along the last mentioned wall or fence to its end and in a straight line in continuation thereof to a point in the middle of the road which leads from Staverton to Trowbridge and continuing thence southwards along the middle of the last mentioned road to the boundary which divides the parish of Hilperton from the parish of Saint Thomas, Trowbridge."

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 by Her Majesty in Council:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice of Her said Council, is pleased hereby to ratify the said Scheme, and to 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 Her Majesty, by and with the like advice, is pleased hereby to direct that this Order be forthwith registered by the Registrar of the said diocese of Salisbury.

W. G. Agnew.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 28th day of October, 1955.

PRESENT,

The QUEEN's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS the Church Commissioners have duly prepared and laid before Her Majesty in Council a Scheme bearing date the 28th day of September, 1955, in the words and figures following, that is to say:

"We, the Church Commissioners, acting in pursuance of the Pastoral Reorganisation Measure, 1949, the Union of Benefices Measures, 1923 to 1952, and the Diocesan Stipends Funds Measure, 1953, now humbly lay before Your Majesty in Council the following Scheme which we have prepared with the consent of the Right Reverend Henry, Bishop of Guildford (in witness whereof he has signed the Scheme), for effecting the union of the benefice of Chobham and the benefice of Saint Saviour, Chobham, both situate in the diocese of Guildford.

"SCHEME.

"1. *Union of Benefices and Parishes.* The benefice of Chobham and the benefice of Saint Saviour, Chobham, shall be permanently united together and form one benefice with cure of souls under the style of 'The United Benefice of Chobham with Valley End', and the parishes of the said benefices shall also be united into one parish for ecclesiastical purposes.

"2. *Taking effect of union.* If upon the day when any Order of Your Majesty in Council affirming this Scheme is published in the London Gazette the benefice of Saint Saviour, Chobham, shall be vacant the union shall forthwith take effect, but if it shall then be full the union shall take effect immediately upon the next vacation thereof, and in either case the Reverend Oswald Roney Acworth, if he is the incumbent of the benefice of Chobham upon the day when the union takes effect, shall with his consent (testified by his signature hereto), be the first incumbent of the united benefice.

"3. *Parish Church.* The parish church of the parish of Chobham shall be the parish church of the united parish.

"4. *Registers.* The marriage registers in duplicate current at the church of Saint Saviour, Chobham, shall be dealt with in accordance with Section 62 of the Marriage Act, 1949, and the register books (if any) of baptism and burials and other the records and muniments deposited in the said church shall be transferred to the parish church of the united parish.

"5. *Parsonage House.* Upon the union taking effect the parsonage house at present belonging to

the benefice of Chobham shall be the house of residence of the incumbent of the united benefice and the parsonage house at present belonging to the benefice of Saint Saviour, Chobham, together with the site and appurtenances thereof, and the grounds usually occupied and enjoyed therewith shall be sold and disposed of by us at such time or times and in such manner in all respects as to us shall seem expedient and the net proceeds of such sale or sales shall be held by us for the augmentation of the endowment of the united benefice.

"6. *Clerical and Lay Assistance.* Upon the union taking effect the incumbent shall, in order to assist him in performing the duties of the united benefice, employ an assistant curate at a remuneration to be determined by the Bishop of the diocese.

"7. *Patronage.* After the union has taken effect the right of presentation to the united benefice shall be exercised by the patrons of the two benefices alternately, the patron of the benefice of Saint Saviour, Chobham, having the first presentation to be made after the union.

"8. *Diversion of Endowment Income.*

"(1) Subject as hereinafter provided any surplus, calculated by us for the twelve months ending on the 31st March in each year of the endowment income (calculated in accordance with the Schedule hereto) of the united benefice over and above an annual sum of £550 shall, with effect from the date upon which the union shall take effect, be paid to and be held by us, for the benefit of the diocesan stipends fund of the diocese of Guildford.

"(2) The said endowment income and the said surplus and the said annual sum of £550 shall be deemed to accrue from day to day and shall when we deem that circumstances so require be apportionable accordingly.

"(3) Any moneys due to us from the incumbent of the united benefice, or, during any vacancy in the united benefice, from the sequestrators thereof, as the case may be (hereinafter called 'the incumbent or sequestrators') upon the calculation of the said surplus shall be paid by the incumbent or sequestrators to us not later than the 30th June in each year and shall be recoverable as a debt due to us.

"(4) For the purpose of ascertaining the amounts of the said endowment income and of the said surplus, we shall have power to require production by the incumbent or sequestrators of accounts and other documents in relation thereto, and the said accounts for the twelve months to 31st March in each year (or where applicable for a part of the year ending on that date) shall be rendered annually to us within six weeks of that date in such form as we shall prescribe; and in the event of failure by the incumbent or sequestrators to produce such accounts or documents we shall have all legal remedies for enforcing production thereof.

"SCHEDULE.

"For the purpose of this Scheme the endowment income of the united benefice shall without prejudice to the power of decision vested in us by virtue of Section 18 of the Pastoral Reorganisation Measure, 1949, if any question shall arise, be computed in accordance with our Central Register of Benefice Income, that is to say, by including:—

"(1) all gross secured income payable by us and any other person or body.

"and (2) all gross income received from ground rents, chief rents or other fixed charges, other glebe rents and any letting of the parsonage house or a formally divided portion thereof,

"and by deducting therefrom:—

"(1) the rates payable on the parsonage house if occupied by the incumbent,

"(2) the rent and rates payable on any house occupied by the incumbent other than the parsonage house,

"(3) the annual assessment charged upon the incumbent under the Ecclesiastical Dilapidations Measures, 1923 to 1951, in respect of the benefice,

"(4) the rates payable on the glebe,

"(5) the cost of collecting glebe rents,

"(6) any tithe annuity, rentcharge or fee farm rent charged upon the glebe,

"(7) any other outgoings in respect of the glebe,

"(8) any charge upon the benefice income in favour of another benefice or any lay person,