CHURCH REPRESENTATION RULES

DIOCESE OF LEEDS

PROVISION MADE BY THE BISHOP OF LEEDS UNDER RULE 78(5)(B) OF THE
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This instrument is made on 1 January 2022 and has effect from the date on which it is made until
31 December 2022 or until revoked if sooner.

Remote working

1 Rule 26 of the Church Representation Rules (procedure of deanery synods) and the Rules
   established by the Leeds Diocesan Synod for the procedure of such deanery synods in the
   Diocese of Leeds shall apply with the following modifications.

2 A reference to a meeting of the Synod includes a reference to a meeting which person may
   attend, speak at, vote in, or otherwise participate in without all of the person, or without any
   of the persons, being together in the same place.

3 A reference to a place where a meeting of the Synod 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.

4 A person is to be regarded as present at a meeting of the Synod 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.

5 A vote, whether of the whole Synod or by Houses, may be taken by such electronic method
   of voting as may be determined by the Bishop, the Chair of the House of Clergy and the Chair
   of the House of Laity acting jointly.

6 The provision made by this Instrument has effect in spite of any inconsistent provision in the
   Rules of the deanery synod; and any such provision is accordingly to be ignored.

7 A reference in this Instrument to being present at a meeting of the Synod includes a reference
   to being present by electronic means, including by telephone conference, video conference,
   live webcast and live interactive streaming.

Dated this 21st day of January 2022

Nicholas Bishop of Leeds