

ANGLICAN ECOCARE STATUTE 2006

WHEREAS it is deemed desirable to establish Anglican EcoCare as a standing Commission of Synod

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Archbishop, clergy and laity of the Diocese of Perth in Synod assembled as follows:

- 1 This Statute may be cited as the "Anglican EcoCare Statute 2006".
- 2 The organisation known as Anglican EcoCare is hereby established as a standing commission of Synod (the **Commission**).
- 3 The Commission is established to:
 - (a) pursue in particular the final point in the Mission Statement of the Anglican Communion adopted by the Diocese, namely "to strive to safeguard the integrity of creation and to sustain and renew the life of the earth";
 - (b) be an agent of education concerning environmental and faith matters for the Diocese in both practical and didactic ways;
 - (c) provide experiential opportunities for environmentally sensitive Christian living, prayer and community building;
 - (d) be a prophetic voice on matters of faith and environment;
 - (e) establish and maintain working relationships with educational institutions, commerce and industry regarding environmental matters; and
 - (f) establish relationships with other ventures that share the same purposes with the approval of the Diocesan Council.
- 4 The Commission shall be controlled and managed by a Management Committee of nine persons consisting of:
 - (a) The Archbishop or a person appointed by him;
 - (b) Three persons appointed by the Archbishop;
 - (c) Three persons elected by the Synod;
 - (d) One person appointed by the Social Responsibilities Commission as established by the Social Responsibilities Statute; and
 - (e) One person appointed by the Management Committee.
- 5 The members appointed by the Archbishop shall hold office for a term of three years provided that:
 - (a) of the appointments first made after this Statute comes into force, one of the three persons in each category shall be appointed for a term of three years, one for a term of two years and one for a term of one year; and
 - (b) the term of a retiring member shall continue until the appointment of that member's successor.
- 6 If present at a meeting, the Archbishop or his nominee may chair the Management Committee which otherwise shall elect one of its members to chair the meeting.
- 7 The Management Committee shall meet at least once a quarter and shall:
 - (a) be responsible for pursuing the purposes of the Commission;
 - (b) devise and provide programmes pursuant to the purposes;
 - (c) manage any funds that may be allocated by the Diocesan Council or received from other sources; and (d) present a report to each Synod.
- 8 The Diocesan Council shall make such budgetary provision as it considers proper to facilitate the work of the Commission.
- 9 The Management Committee shall only incur expenditure in accordance with its budget as approved by the Diocesan Council.
- 10 The Archbishop shall have the power to settle any disputes arising in relation to the work of the Commission.