

Under Standing Order 126, special resolutions of the Conference require to be confirmed the following year after appropriate consultation before they can become effective. For the purpose of consultation, they are either referred to the Methodist Council (unless moved on the Council's behalf, in which case they are referred to the Law and Polity Committee) or dealt with as provisional legislation under Standing Order 122 and submitted to the Synods and the Law and Polity Committee.

The bodies consulted may approve or disapprove the resolution but may not amend it.

At the Conference of 2009, there were three special resolutions that were referred to the Methodist Council, and one to the Law and Polity Committee.

Special Resolutions submitted by the Conference of 2009 to the Methodist Council

1. *Revision of Property Legislation*

The Conference amends Paragraph 1 of the Model Trusts as follows:

Delete the definition of "Circuit Advance Fund".

Amend the definition of "Circuit Purposes" as follows:

'Circuit purposes' means, in relation to any model trust property or any part thereof and in relation to any Circuit, all or any of the purposes of a Circuit manse or of any other property (not being local property), for the time being used or applied or held for the purposes of being used or applied, in accordance with the model trusts, solely or mainly by or in connection with such Circuit, ~~or all or any of the purposes of any property for the time being comprising or required, by Standing Orders or by any direction of the Conference or of the Methodist Council given pursuant to Standing Orders, to be held as or to be added to a Circuit Advance Fund,~~ and includes any other charitable purpose comprised in the model trusts which the Conference may by Standing Order designate as a Circuit purpose in relation to such Circuit and to model trust property;

The Methodist Council approved the Resolution.

*****RESOLUTION**

48/1. The Conference confirmed the amendments to the Model Trusts set out in 1 above.

2. *Y Cyngor*

The Conference amends Clause 1 of the Deed of Union as follows:

(iv) 'Church Courts' means the Conference, ~~Y Gymanfa~~ *Y Cyngor*, the Synods, the Circuit Meetings, the Local Preachers' Meetings, the Church Councils and the boards and committees appointed by or reporting to those bodies;

The Methodist Council approved the Resolution.

*****RESOLUTION**

48/2. The Conference confirmed the amendments to the Deed of Union set out in 2 above.

3. *Trustee Indemnity Insurance*

The Conference deletes sub-paragraph (o) of paragraph 16 of the Model Trusts, as applying in England and Wales.

The Methodist Council approved the Resolution.

*****RESOLUTION**

48/3. The Conference confirmed the amendments to the Model Trusts set out in 3 above.

Special Resolutions submitted by the Conference of 2009 to the Law and Polity Committee

4. *Methodist Youth Assembly*

The Conference amends clause 14(2) of the Deed of Union [Membership of the Representative Session of the Conference] as follows:

(xA) representatives, as prescribed by Standing Orders, of a Methodist Youth ~~Conference~~ *Assembly* to be established in accordance with Standing Orders;

The Law and Polity Committee approved the Resolution.

*****RESOLUTION**

48/4. The Conference confirmed the amendments to the Deed of Union set out in 4 above.