

**ARRANGEMENTS FOR PROXY VOTING AT THE EXTRAORDINARY ASSEMBLY TO BE
HELD ON 23RD JULY 2026**

Governors will recall that one of the amendments to the Charity's Royal Charter approved at the 2025 Annual Assembly was to Article 16.1, which made it clear that Governors could appoint a proxy to attend, speak and vote on their behalf at an Assembly.

In order to give effect to that decision, at its meeting in December 2025 the Court made a Regulation under Article 18.5 of the Charter to regulate the exercise of proxy voting. Under the Regulation the Court may require proxy notices to be delivered in a particular form. It has determined that, for the purposes of the Extraordinary Assembly, they should take the form attached.

As a result, any Governor may appoint the chairman of the Assembly or some other person (who may, but need not, be a Governor) to exercise their right to attend, speak and vote at the Assembly on their behalf. The proxy can either be instructed how to vote, or to abstain, or be given a discretion in the matter.

The appointment of a proxy may be revoked by notice in writing delivered to the Trust before the Assembly starts.

Should a Governor who has appointed a proxy attend the Assembly and speak or vote, their proxy will not also be allowed to speak or vote.

Governors who wish to appoint a proxy must complete and return the attached form so as to be received by the Trust **no later than 12 noon on Monday 20th July 2026**. Forms may be returned:

- by email to: hello@clergysupport.org.uk; or
- by post or in person to: The Revd Ben Cahill-Nicholls, Chief Executive, Clergy Support Trust, 1 Dean Trench Street, London SW1P 3HB.



The Revd Ben Cahill-Nicholls

Chief Executive

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