

IN THE ST ALBANS CONSISTORY COURT

Additional Matters St Albans (No. 5) Order 2025

In accordance with section 78 (4) of the Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction and Care of Churches Measure 2018 ("the Measure"), the Chancellor has sought the advice of the Diocesan Advisory Committee before making this Order.

In exercise of the power conferred by section 78(1) of the Measure the Chancellor makes the following order:

1. An authorised person may undertake any matter prescribed in the first column of the table in the Schedule without a faculty—
 - (a) if the Archdeacon has been consulted on the proposal to undertake the matter and has given notice in writing that it may be undertaken without a faculty; and
 - (b) subject to—
 - (i) the conditions that are specified in the second column of the table; and
 - (ii) any additional conditions imposed by the archdeacon under paragraph 2(b).
2. Where the archdeacon is consulted under paragraph 1(a) on the proposal to undertake a matter, the Archdeacon—
 - (a) must seek the advice of the Diocesan Advisory Committee or such of its members or officers as the Archdeacon thinks fit before deciding whether to give notice that it may be undertaken without a faculty; and
 - (b) may make the undertaking of the matter subject to additional conditions specified by the Archdeacon in the notice.
3. A notice given by the Archdeacon under paragraph 1(a) must specify the proposals which may be undertaken without a faculty.
4. The archdeacon must retain a copy of every notice given under paragraph 1(a) and must also send a copy to—
 - (a) the registrar of the diocese for filing in the diocesan registry; and
 - (b) the secretary of the Diocesan Advisory Committee.
5. If the Archdeacon declines to give notice under paragraph 1(a) that a proposal may be undertaken without a faculty the archdeacon must inform the applicants that they may, if they wish, petition the court for a Faculty to authorise the proposal.

Words and expressions used in this Order have the same meaning as they have in Part 3 of the Faculty Jurisdiction Rules 2015.


----- Dated this 27th day November of 2025
Lyndsey de Mestre KC
Chancellor

Schedule

<i>Matter</i>	<i>Specified conditions</i>
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Church Building or churchyard

The introduction / installation of WiFi extenders or mesh networking solutions to provide public internet access separately from the church's secure private network.

1. The PCC has a business / non-domestic internet contract which allows public sharing.
2. Creation of a secure private network for church devices and a separate, controllable public network which can be monitored, paused or turned off.
3. Transmitters and any cable runs are placed in agreed locations in consultation with the Archdeacon / DAC if the church is a listed building
4. PAT (Portable Appliance Testing) of these devices is included at the next inspection