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# ST PETER'S SCHOOL TRUST BOARD

# [PRIVATE]

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# A BILL INTITULED

An Act to reconstitute the trusts upon which the assets of the St Peter's School Trust Board Incorporated are to be held, to redefine the powers of the Board, and to prescribe the Board's constitution

WHEREAS on 7 March 1935 a private company, St Peter's Limited, was incorporated under the Companies Act 1933, the original shareholders being Arthur Francis Brooks Broadhurst and James Morris Beaufort who, by the articles of association, were appointed the Governing Directors of the company for their respective lives or until retirement: And whereas the principal object of the company was to establish, maintain, and carry on at Cambridge in the provincial District of Auckland in the Dominion of New Zealand or at such other place or places within the Dominion of New Zealand as may be selected a school or schools where scholars may obtain a sound intellectual, classical, mathematical, technical, manual, physical, and general education in the junior or senior departments of education, and also where provision shall be 20 made for non-sectarian religious instruction for all scholars and

special provision for religious instruction in a form in accordance with the teaching of The Church of England for all Church of England Scholars and for others with their parents' consent, and where full facilities shall be granted for the scholars of other denominations to attend their respective places of worship: And whereas the company established, acquired and carried on a school, known as St Peter's School, on land owned by the company: And whereas the said two shareholders were joint headmasters of St Peter's School: And whereas the said James Morris Beaufort retired and transferred 10 his shares in the company to the said Arthur Francis Brooks Broadhurst: And whereas by a deed dated 1 February 1939 made between the said Arthur Francis Brooks Broadhurst (therein called "the donor") of the one part and the donor himself and 3 other persons (therein called "the trustees") of 15 the other part the donor transferred all except 4 of the shares to the trustees jointly and retained 1 share himself and transferred 1 share to each of the other 3 trustees, and also transferred to the trustees jointly a debenture securing a loan from the donor to the company and a further unsecured loan 20 from the donor to the company: And whereas the land upon which the School buildings and the playing fields are situated is still owned by the company: And whereas the trustees were incorporated as a Trust Board under the provisions of the Religious, Charitable, and Educational Trusts Act 1908: And 25 whereas the said Trust Board has acquired farm lands and carries on the business of farming for the benefit of the School: And whereas it is intended to wind up voluntarily the company and transfer its assets in specie to the Trust Board: And whereas the number of members of the Trust was limited to 4 and by 30 virtue of new articles of association of the company passed in 1962 the number of directors that had previously been so limited thereinafter was changed to such number as from time to time the company in general meeting should determine: And whereas it was recently discovered that by reason of the 35 increase in the number of directors of the company the number of trustees had been inadvertently increased above the limited number, all except 1 of whom had been invalidly appointed: And whereas by an order of the High Court of New Zealand at Hamilton made on 24 June 1983 3 persons were validly 40 appointed as members of the Trust Board in addition to the previously validly appointed person: And whereas because the Trust Board and the 4 members thereof are all the shareholders

in the company they can lawfully carry out any of the objects contained in its memorandum of association, which objects are wider than the trusts conferred upon them by the said deed dated 1 February 1939: And whereas it is expedient that the 5 Trust Board should be empowered to carry out any of the objects that could lawfully be carried out by the company after it has been wound up: And whereas to comply with modern needs it is expedient to increase the range of subjects that may be taught at the School: And whereas it is necessary to enlarge 10 the number of persons who may be members of the Trust Board: And whereas it is in the best interest of the pupils of the School that the reconstructed trusts should be made lawful as soon as possible: And whereas legislation is the only means whereby this can be effected efficiently and economically and 15 without interference with the continued running of the School for the beneficial education of the pupils:

Now therefore be it enacted by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

20 **1. Short Title**—This Act may be cited as the St Peter's School Trust Board Act **1984**.

# 2. Interpretation—In this Act—

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"Trust Board" means the St Peter's School Trust Board, a Board duly incorporated under the Charitable Trusts Act 1957:

"Trust Deed" means the deed dated the 1st days of February 1939 made between Arthur Francis Brooks Broadhurst (therein called the "donor") of the one part and the donor himself and 3 other persons (therein called the "trustees") of the other part whereby the donor dealt with certain shares in St Peter's Limited and loaned certain money to the trustees:

"Trustees" means the persons who are for the time being members of the Trust Board.

35 **3. Objects of trust**—Notwithstanding anything in the Trust Deed, the Trust Board shall hold its assets for the following objects:

(a) To establish, maintain, and carry on at Cambridge in the Provincial District of Auckland or in or at such other place or places within New Zealand as may be

selected a school or schools where pupils may obtain a sound intellectual, classical, mathematical, musical, technical, manual, physical, agricultural, horticultural, and general education in the junior and senior departments of education and also where provision 5 shall be made for non-sectarian religious instruction for all students and special provision made for religious instruction in a form in accordance with the teaching of the church of the Anglican Church for all Anglican Church pupils and for others with their 10 parents' or guardians' consent and where full facilities shall be granted for the pupils of other denominations to attend their respective places of worship:

(b) To provide for the delivery and holding of lectures, sermons, exhibitions, public meetings, classes, and 15 conferences calculated directly or indirectly to advance the cause of education whether general,

professional, ecclesiastical, or technical:

(c) To provide a permanent school chapel and to maintain the same and to cause to be held therein services in 20 accordance with the teachings from time to time of the Anglican Church:

(d) To provide for tuition without charge so far as funds of the Trust Board will permit for such pupils as the

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Trustees shall nominate and approve:

(e) To establish, maintain, or support, or aid in establishing, maintaining, or supporting, school libraries,

newspapers, and records:

(f) To establish, maintain, or support, or aid in establishing, maintaining, or supporting, scholarships in 3 connection with the School and to offer and subscribe for rewards, prizes, medals, and other trophies for proficiency in schoolwork, music, sports, and other activities:

(g) To accept and receive conveyances, transfers, gifts, devises, and bequests of real and personal property of every description, and to hold the same and the proceeds of sale thereof upon any special trusts declared in respect thereof by the instrument creating the special trusts, to apply such property and any income arising therefrom in accordance with such special trusts, and, subject thereto, otherwise to hold the same for the objects specified in this section:

(h) To train student teachers in the theory and practice of education:

(i) To do all such other things as in the opinion of the Trustees may be incidental or conducive to the attainment of any of the foregoing objects or to the development of education generally.

4. Powers of Trust Board—For the purpose of attaining the objects specified in section 3 of this Act, or any of them, the Trust Board may do all or any of the following:

10 (a) To develop and turn into account any land owned, leased, acquired, or taken over by the Trust Board or in which it is interested, and, in particular, by laying out and preparing the same for building purposes, constructing, altering, pulling down, decorating, maintaining, fitting up, and improving and by planting, paving, draining, laying on water supplies, generating electricity, farming, cultivating, and letting on building lease or building agreement or by advancing money to and entering into contracts and arrangements of all kinds with builders or others, and to erect, construct, maintain, repair, and alter any buildings or machinery, aerodromes or works, electrical, mechanical or otherwise:

(b) To carry on any other profession, business, or trade (whether manufacturing or otherwise) that may seem to the Trust Board capable of being conveniently carried on in connection with the activities of the Trust Board or calculated directly or indirectly to enhance the value or render profitable any of the Trust Board's property or rights:

(c) To acquire and undertake the whole or any part of the business property and liability of any person or company carrying on any profession or business that the Trust Board is authorised to carry on or possessed of property suitable for the activities of the Trust Board:

(d) To enter into partnership or into any arrangement for sharing profits, union of interest, co-operation, joint adventure, reciprocal concession, or otherwise carry on or engage in any business or transaction capable of being conducted so as directly or indirectly to benefit the Trust Board; and to lend money to any such person or company and to take or otherwise

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acquire shares and securities of any such company and to sell, hold, re-issue (with or without guarantee), or otherwise deal with the same:

(e) To enter into any arrangements with any governments or authorities, whether supreme, municipal, local, or otherwise, that may seem conducive to the Trust Board's objects or any of them and to obtain from any such government or authority any rights, privileges, or concessions that the Trust Board may think it desirable to obtain, and to carry out, exercise, 10 and comply with any such arrangements, rights,

privileges, and concessions:

(f) To support and subscribe to or establish, or aid in the support of. establishment and associations. institutions, provident, superannuation, and benefit 15 funds, trusts, societies, or clubs that may be for the benefit of the Trust Board or of employees or exemployees of the Trust Board or of the pupils or expupils of any school conducted by the Trust Board or that may be connected with any town or place 20 where the Trust Board carries on business; and to give pensions, gratuities, or financial aids to any person or persons who has or have served the Trust Board or the relatives or dependents of such persons:

Provided that no money shall be expended 25 pursuant to this paragraph for any purpose that is

not a charitable purpose:

(g) To promote any company or companies for the purpose of acquiring all or any of the property, rights, and liabilities of the Trust Board or for any other purpose 30 that may seem directly or indirectly calculated to benefit the Trust Board:

(h) Generally to purchase, take on lease or in exchange, hire, or otherwise acquire any real or personal property and any rights or privileges that the Trust Board may 35 think necessary or convenient for the purposes of its activities, and, in particular, any land, buildings, easements, machinery, plant, books, and school equipment, designs, badges, mottoes, and colours:

(i) To invest any moneys belonging to the Trust Board in 40 such investments or securities that the Trust Board its absolute discretion think notwithstanding such investment may not be authorised as an investment for trust funds, and from time to time to vary or change such investments:

(j) At any time to sell or otherwise dispose of any lands and buildings and other property of the Trust Board; and all money arising from any such sale or other disposition shall be deemed to be part of the Trust Board's property and subject accordingly:

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(k) To open and maintain a banking account or banking accounts at such bank or banks as the Trust Board shall from time to time decide and at any time to pay or cause to be paid any money held by the Trust Board to the credit of such account or accounts, or place or cause to be placed the same on deposit with any banker or bankers:

(l) To remunerate any person, firm, or company for services rendered to the Trust Board or to pay for any properties, rights, privileges, concessions, or any other things or interests acquired by the Trust Board by cash payment or as otherwise thought fit by the Trust Board:

(m) To lend money to any person or company, and to guarantee the performance of any contracts:

(n) To appoint attorneys or delegates in any part of the world with all or any of the powers of the Trust Board, including powers of substituting or subdelegation, with power from time to time to alter or revoke or vary the terms of any power of attorney or delegation:

(o) To draw, make, endorse, negotiate, discount, and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, warrants, debentures, and other negotiable or transferable instruments:

(p) To borrow or raise or secure the payment of money in such manner and on such terms as the Trust Board shall think fit, to mortgage and to issue any debenture or debentures charged upon the present or future trust property, and to receive money on deposit at interest:

(q) To adopt such means of making known the objects and activities of the Trust Board as may seem expedient, and, in particular, by advertisement in the media, by publication of books and periodicals, and by granting prizes, rewards, and donations:

(r) To enter into an Integration Scheme pursuant to the Private Schools Conditional Integration Act 1975:

- (s) To apply for, promote, and obtain any order, Act of Parliament, leave, licence, or other authority to enable the Trust Board to carry out any or all of the objects specified in **section 3** of this Act, and for the purposes of obtaining any additional powers or for any other purpose that may appear to the Trust Board expedient in the furtherance of any of those objects, and to oppose any Bills, proceedings, or applications that may seem to the Trust Board likely to prejudice those objects directly or indirectly.
- 5. Constitution of Trust Board—The constitution of the Trust Board shall be that set out in the Schedule to this Act subject to any alterations or additions lawfully made by the Trust Board pursuant to and in accordance with clause 18 of that constitution.
- 6. Application of Charitable Trusts Act 1957—Nothing in this Act shall limit or affect the application of Parts III and V of the Charitable Trusts Act 1957 in relation to the objects of the Trust Board.
- 7. Validation of past acts and deeds—Any acts or things 20 done in good faith by the Trust Board or by the directors of St Peter's Limited before the passing of this Act that were ultra vires the powers of the Trust Board or of the directors of the company, or done by any person acting in the honest belief that he or she had been validly appointed as a member of the 25 Trust Board or as a director of the company, are hereby declared to be and to have always been valid.
- **8. Private Act**—This Act is hereby declared to be a private Act.

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### **SCHEDULE**

Section 5

CONSTITUTION OF THE ST PETER'S SCHOOL TRUST BOARD

- 1. Name of the Trust Board—The Board shall be known as the St Peter's School Trust Board, or by such other name as the Board may from time to time be registered with the Registrar of Charitable Trusts.
- **2. Interpretation**—In this constitution, unless the context otherwise requires,—

"Annual general meeting" means an annual general meeting of the Board pursuant to clause 7 (5) of this constitution:

"Board" means the St Peter's School Trust Board:

"Chairman" means the Chairman of the Board appointed pursuant to clause 6 of this constitution:

"Headmaster" means the Headmaster of the School from time to time appointed pursuant to clause 10 of this constitution:

"School" means St Peter's School, Cambridge, or such other school or educational institution as may be carried on by the Board in furtherance of its objects:

"Secretary" means the Secretary of the Board appointed pursuant to

clause 8 (i) of this constitution:

"Special general meeting" means any general meeting of trustees other

than an annual general meeting:

- "Trustees" means the persons holding office as members of the Board on the passing of the St Peter's School Trust Board Act 1984, namely, Colin Lang Riddet of Wanganui, Solicitor, William Ross Morgan J.P. of Cambridge, Company Director, and Geoffrey James Hodgson of Cambridge, Farmer; and includes any person or persons who hereafter from time to time and for the time being hold such office:
- "Trust Property" means the property more particularly described in the appendix to this constitution, and all other property that for the time being is held by the Board for or in connection with its objects.
- **3. Membership of Board**—(1) The Board shall consist of not less than 7 nor more than 15 trustees.
- (2) If at any time the number of trustees falls below 7, a majority of twothirds of the remaining trustees shall have power to appoint additional trustees in accordance with clause 5 of this constitution.
- 4. Appointment and retirement of trustees—(1) Persons who are to be appointed trustees shall be recommended by the executive committee, nominated in writing by 1 trustee and seconded by 2 other trustees, and appointed at an annual general meeting by resolution of a majority of trustees present at the meeting and voting upon such nomination. The written nomination shall be given to the Secretary at least 14 days before the annual general meeting.

(2) Except as provided in subclause (7) of this clause, each trustee shall retire at the beginning of the annual general meeting held on the anniversary of the third year following the trustee's appointment:

Provided that, as from the annual general meeting held in 1985 and at the annual general meeting in each of the 2 subsequent years, one-third, or the nearest whole number to one-third, of the trustees holding office

as at the annual general meeting in 1985 shall retire from office. Unless otherwise agreed among themselves, those to retire shall be determined by lot.

(3) A trustee shall be deemed to have vacated his appointment upon the happening of any event specified in section 43 (i) of the Trustee Act 1956:

Provided that:

- (a) A trustee may be granted leave of absence by the Board for any period; and
- (b) A trustee may at any time resign by notice of resignation in writing given to the Secretary.
- (4) Subject to subclause (10) of this clause, a retiring trustee shall be eligible

for reappointment.

- (5) No person other than a trustee who is retiring at an annual general meeting, shall, unless recommended in accordance with subclause (1) of this clause, be eligible for appointment as a trustee.
- (6) Where possible, I trustee shall be a former student of the School appointed on the recommendation of the executive committee from nominations received from the St Peter's Old Boys' Association (Inc.) or such other body recognised by the Board as representing old boys of St Peter's School.
- (7) Where possible, 1 trustee shall be a parent or guardian of a pupil at the School who shall be appointed for 1 year only but shall be eligible for reappointment for further terms of 1 year so long as he or she shall have a pupil at the School, and such parent or guardian shall be appointed on the recommendation of the executive committee from nominations received from the St Peter's School Association Incorporated or such other body recognised by the Board as representing parents and guardians of pupils of the School.
- (8) Where possible, there shall be regional representation so that, so long as the Board administers a school at Cambridge, at least 3 trustees shall be appointed who shall respectively reside in the Waikato area, the Auckland area, and the Bay of Plenty area.
- (9) A trustee may be removed from office before the expiration of the trustee's term at an annual general meeting, or a special general meeting called for the purpose, if at least two-thirds of the trustees are present at the meeting and vote in favour of the removal. It shall not be necessary to give reasons for the removal to the trustee concerned.
- (10) Except as provided in **subclause** (7) of this clause and subject to **clause** 6 of this constitution, a trustee shall hold office for a maximum term of 12 years from the trustee's initial appointment, and shall then retire and shall not be eligible for reappointment until the expiration of a further period of not less than 3 years.
- (11) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the preceding provisions of this clause, a trustee shall retire at the annual general meeting next following the date on which the trustee attains the age of 70 years.
- **5. Additional trustees**—(1) A two-thirds majority of trustees at any meeting of trustees shall have the power at any time and from time to time to appoint any person to be a trustee, either to fill a casual vacancy or as an addition to the existing trustees so that the total number of trustees shall not at any time exceed the number fixed in accordance with this constitution.

(2) Any trustee appointed pursuant to this clause shall hold office only until the next annual general meeting following the trustee's appointment and shall then be eligible for election as a trustee.

(3) Where any such trustee is appointed to fill a casual vacancy, the duration of that appointment shall not be counted as part of that person's

term of office as a trustee.

(4) Upon the coming into force of the St Peter's School Trust Board Act 1984, trustees then in office shall appoint 3 or more persons to be trustees in accordance with the provisions of this clause.

**6. Chairman of Board**—(1) The trustees at an annual general meeting shall elect 1 of their members to be the Chairman of the Board, and the person so elected shall hold office as Chairman for the duration of that

person's appointment as trustee.

(2) The person so appointed shall be chairman of all meetings of the Board at which he or she is present. If at any meeting the Chairman is not present within 30 minutes of the time appointed for holding the meeting, the trustees present shall then choose 1 of their number to be the chairman of that meeting.

(3) A Chairman shall, notwithstanding the provisions of clause 4 (10) of this constitution, be eligible for 1 further term of appointment as a trustee but shall not hold office as Chairman for a period longer than 6 years.

(4) In between meetings of the Board, the Chairman shall have the

following powers and duties:

- (a) In consultation with the Headmaster, where circumstances necessitate immediate action, to dismiss employees and to engage employees upon terms and conditions previously approved by the Board:
- (b) To call special general meetings of the Board on not less than 7 days' notice:
- (c) To carry out any functions or duties that may have been delegated to the Chairman by the Board.

7. Proceedings of Board—(1) The Board may meet for the despatch of business, adjourn or otherwise regulate its meetings and proceedings, and

vary the regulation and procedure thereof as it may think fit.

(2) Upon the written request of 3 trustees, the Secretary shall summon an extraordinary meeting of the Board upon not less than 7 days' notice of the date and the subject matter of that meeting given to trustees. At such extraordinary meeting the only subject matter that may be dealt with shall be that matter or matters contained in the notice of meeting.

(3) Questions arising at any meeting of the Board shall be determined by a majority of votes, and, in case of an equality of votes, the chairman

of the meeting shall have a casting vote.

(4) A resolution in writing signed by all the trustees shall be as valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Board duly called and constituted.

(5) There shall be annual general meetings of the Board, which shall be held in each case within the period of 6 months after the end of the Board's

financial year.

(6) No business shall be transacted at any annual general meeting or special general meeting unless a quorum of trustees is present at the time when the meeting proceeds to business. Except as otherwise provided in this constitution not less than one-half of the duly appointed trustees personally present shall constitute a quorum.

(7) If within half an hour from the time appointed for a meeting a quorum is not present, a special meeting convened upon the requisition of 3 trustees pursuant to subclause (2) of this clause shall be dissolved. Any other meeting shall stand adjourned to the same day in the next week at the same time and place, and if at the adjourned meeting a quorum is not present within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting the trustees present shall constitute a quorum.

(8) Subject to clause 18 of this constitution, a meeting of the Board at which a quorum is present shall be competent to exercise all or any of the authorities, powers, and discretions by or under this constitution for the time being vested in or exercisable by the Board or the trustees

generally.

(9) The meetings and proceedings of any committee of the Board consisting of 2 or more members shall be governed by the provisions herein contained for regulating the meetings and proceedings of the Board

so far as the same are applicable thereto.

(10) All acts done in good faith at any meeting of the Board or by a committee of the Board or by any person acting as a trustee shall, notwithstanding that it shall afterwards be discovered that there was some defect in the appointment of such trustee or person or that any trustee or other person was disqualified, be as valid as if every such trustee or other person had been duly appointed and was qualified to be a trustee.

(11) The chairman may, with the consent of any meeting at which a quorum is present (and shall if so directed by the meeting), adjourn the meeting from time to time and from place to place, but no business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting other than business on the agenda of the meeting at which the adjournment took place. When the meeting is adjourned for 10 days or more, notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given as in the case of an original meeting. It shall not be necessary in any other case to give any notice of adjournment or of the business to be transacted at an adjourned meeting.

(12) The Board shall meet at least once in every 6 months at such time and place as it shall determine to consider the ordinary business of the

Board.

(13) A vote by a trustee may be given either personally or by proxy and the instrument appointing a proxy shall be in writing under the hand of the appointor. No person shall be appointed a proxy who is not a trustee.

(14) The instrument appointing a proxy shall be deposited at the Secretary's office not less than 24 hours before the time for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the person named in the instrument proposes to vote and, in default, the instrument of proxy shall not be treated as valid.

(15) An instrument appointing a proxy may be in the following form or any other form that the Board shall approve:

# "St Peter's School Trust Board

I,	, of	beii	ng a trustee of	f St Peter's School
Trust Board,	hereby appoint.	, of .	•••••	, or failing
him,	, of	.,,	or failing his	m,, of
	as my	proxy to vote	for me and	on my behalf at
the meeting	of the Board to	be held on th	ne	day of
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**8. Powers of the Board**—In furtherance and not in limitation of and without prejudice to the objects of the Board and the general powers conferred or implied by or in sections 3 and 4 of the St Peter's School Trust Board Act 1984, and of the other powers conferred by this constitution, the Board shall be entrusted with and may exercise and perform the following powers:

(a) To institute, conduct, defend, compound, or abandon any legal proceedings by or against the Board or its officers, or otherwise concerning the affairs of the Board, and also may compound and allow time for payment or satisfaction of any debts due and claims

and demands by or against the Board:

(b) To refer any claims or demands by or against the Board to arbitration and observe and perform the awards:

- (c) To make and give receipts, releases, and other discharges for money payable to the Board and for the claims and demands of the Board:
- (d) From time to time to provide for the management of the affairs of the trusts abroad in such manner as the Board thinks fit and in particular appoint any persons to be the attorneys or agents of the Board with such powers (including powers to subdelegate) and upon such terms as may be thought fit, and to alter, vary, or revoke from time to time any such appointment and any such powers:
- (e) Out of the available cash or capital of the Trust Property, to set aside such sum or sums as the Board may think fit as a reserve fund, to invest the several sums so set aside upon such investments as the Board may think fit, and from time to time to deal with and vary such investments and dispose of all or any part thereof for the benefit of the Trust Property or the advancement of the trusts hereof; but the Board shall have power to employ the assets constituting the reserve fund for the purposes of the trusts hereof and that without being bound to keep the same separate from the other assets:
- (f) From time to time and without negativing any implied power to borrow at the Board's discretion, to borrow for the purposes of the trusts hereof from any persons, firms, or corporations any sum or sums of money on the security of all or any of the Trust Property (real or personal) assets and effects both present and future either under legal mortgages or charges with powers of sale and other usual powers, issue of bonds, obligations, or any other security of the Trust Property, and any such bonds, obligations, or securities may be issued on the terms that the amount to be secured may be paid up by instalments and that such charges be paid off by periodical and other drawings and generally on such other terms and conditions as to rate of interest or otherwise as the Board thinks fit; and the Board may also borrow money from bankers on overdraft or otherwise with or without security:
- (g) To exercise the powers of Authorised Trust Boards set out in the Second Schedule to the Anglican Church Trusts Act 1981:
- (h) From time to time to make, vary and repeal any rules and regulations for governing the officers or servants of the Board or any section or group or committee thereof:
- (i) To appoint a Secretary (or a temporary substitute for the Secretary) who may be the bursar of the School.

- **9. Committees**—(1) At each annual general meeting of the Board a majority of trustees may appoint such of their number as they think fit to be members of the following committees:
  - (a) The Executive Committee:
  - (b) The Finance Committee:
  - (c) The Farm Committee:
  - (d) The Building and Maintenance Committee:
  - (e) Such other committees as the meeting shall determine.
- (2) Further committees of the Board may be appointed between annual general meetings at a special general meeting of the Board by a majority of the trustees present at that meeting, and shall be subject to review at the next succeeding annual general meeting.

(3) Each such committee shall have the powers and duties delegated to it by an annual general meeting or special general meeting of the Board.

- (4) The Executive Committee shall consist of not less than one-third of the number of trustees. All other committees shall consist of such number as shall be determined at the annual general meeting or special general meeting making the appointments.
- (5) Each committee shall have power to co-opt such person or persons, not exceeding 3 or such greater number as the annual general meeting or special general meeting shall decide:

Provided that:

- (a) In relation to each committee, the number of such co-opted members shall not exceed the number of trustees who are members of such committee; and
- (b) Such co-opting is subject to the approval of the Board at its next meeting.
- (6) The annual general meeting or special general meeting of the Board appointing members to any committee of the Board shall appoint a chairman of the committee, in default of which the members of such committee shall at their first meeting appoint their own chairman who shall be a trustee. The chairman of such committee, if present, shall in the event of an equality of votes have a casting vote.
- (7) The Chairman of the Board shall be an *ex officio* member of the Executive Committee, and all other committees appointed pursuant to this clause.
- (8) Each committee shall present to each special general meeting of the Board a report on its activities for endorsement and ratification where necessary, and to each annual general meeting a report of its activities during the preceding year, for endorsement and ratification where necessary.
- 10. Headmaster—There shall from time to time be appointed by the Board a Headmaster of the School on such terms and conditions as shall be determined by the Board.
- 11. Chaplain—There shall from time to time be appointed by the Board a Minister of the Anglican Church to be chaplain of the School on such terms and conditions as shall be determined by the Board.
- 12. Accounts—(1) The Board shall cause true accounts to be kept of the sums of money received and expended by it and the matters in respect of which such receipts and expenditure take place and of the assets, credits and liabilities of the Trust Property.

(2) The books of account shall be kept at the School office, or at such

other place or places as the Board shall think fit.

(3) The Board shall from time to time determine whether and to what extent and at what times and places and under what conditions or regulations the accounts and books of the trusts hereof or any of them shall be open to the inspection of any trustees.

(4) At each annual general meeting there shall be laid before the meeting a statement of the income and expenditure of the Board, and a balance sheet containing a summary of the Trust Property and liabilities thereof

made up to the end of the previous financial year.

(5) A printed copy of such statement of account, report, and balance sheet shall, 7 days before the meeting, be delivered to each trustee.

- 13. Audit—(1) There shall be one or more auditors of the accounts of the Board, who shall be qualified accountants and shall be elected annually by the Board at the annual general meeting.
- (2) The auditor or auditors shall, not later than 14 days before each annual general meeting, audit and report upon all the accounts and books of the Trust Property, and shall at any other time, if and when required

by the Board, audit and report upon any of such accounts and books.

(3) All the accounts and books of the Trust Property shall be open to

the inspection of the auditor.

- 14. Visitor—The Board may at any time and from time to time appoint a person to be the Visitor of the Board, for such period as the Board sees fit, who shall have all the powers and functions usually possessed by a Visitor.
- 15. Failure of trusts—If at any time the objects of the Board shall fail or if for any other reason the purposes hereof shall become wholly frustrated and incapable of being carried out, the Trust Property shall be applied for such educational or charitable purposes in New Zealand and in such manner in all respects as not less than three-fourths of the trustees shall determine or as the High Court shall direct.
- 16. Notices—(1) Any notice or document required by this constitution to be sent or delivered to a trustee shall be deemed to have been validly sent or delivered if posted to the address last given by such trustee to the Secretary, and shall be deemed to have been received at the time when the letter would in the ordinary course of post be delivered.
- (2) The accidental omission to give or non-receipt of any notice of any meeting of the trustees shall not invalidate any resolution passed at the meeting to which such notice related.
- 17. Common seal—The Board shall have a common seal in a form which shall from time to time be adopted by the Board, and the mode of attesting the common seal shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Charitable Trusts Act 1957.
- 18. Alteration of constitution—The Board may at any time and from time to time by supplementary deed make any deletion, alteration, or addition to the terms and provisions of this constitution:

Provided that any such deletion, alteration, or addition shall be approved by not less than three-fourths of the trustees personally present at a meeting thereof called for the purpose of which not less than 14 days' prior notice in writing of the date of such meeting and of the purpose thereof shall have been given to every trustee.

## APPENDIX

### First Part

ALL that freehold property registered in the name of the St Peter's School Trust Board situated at Main Highway Cambridge being all the land on Certificates of Title numbered:

705/225	29/176
705/223	31/73
665/71	469/50
16A/1355	2A/714

all South Auckland Registry together with all property both real and personal whatsoever and wheresoever situated now or hereafter vested in the Board.

# Second Part

All that freehold property registered in the name of St Peter's School Limited comprising 8.1984 hectares consisting of the land upon which the school buildings are erected and the playing fields being all the land on Certificates of Title numbered 16A/1357, 16A/1356 all South Auckland Registry together with all property both real and personal whatsoever and wheresoever situated vested in or owned by St Peter's School Limited.