

H8 – Worship, Faith, and Order and Ministries Committees: Amending the Basis of Union Paragraph 24

Resolution 28

General Assembly amends the Basis of Union paragraph 24 to read (new words in blue):

24. All other ministries recognised by the uniting churches at the date of unification (as defined by the United Reformed Church Act 1981) shall continue to be exercised in the United Reformed Church without further commissioning, subject always to the decisions of the General Assembly. The URC shall determine from time to time what other ministries may be required and which of them should be recognised as ministries in the whole Church. It shall decide how those who are to exercise them shall be set apart. **The affirmations in Schedule B (adapted for the particular ministry) shall be made by those entering upon all such ministries within the life of the Church.**

In accordance with paragraph 3(1) of the Structure, the General Secretary proposed that Resolution 28 be referred to Synods, with a final date for responses to him by 31 March 2025.

Agreed.