

Unfortunately, the group were unable to meet in 2017 which was reported to the Standing Committee. The Working Group has now met on two occasions and this is its Report.

Chapter IX of Volume I and Rules section 4 Volume II of the Constitution of the Church in Wales were considered. Together with the Disciplinary procedures under the Clergy Terms of Service.

Areas of Discussion

1. Powers of the Tribunal

The powers and the sanctions of the Tribunal were considered by the group which are as follows:

The Disciplinary Tribunal of the Church in Wales has the power to hear and determine a complaint, whensoever it arises, of:

- (a) teaching, preaching, publishing or professing, doctrine or belief incompatible with that of the Church in Wales;*
- (b) neglect of the duties of office, or persistent carelessness or gross inefficiency in the discharge of such duties;*
- (c) conduct giving just cause for scandal or offence;*
- (d) wilful disobedience to or breach of any of the provisions of the Constitution or of the Statement of Terms of Service published pursuant to the Clergy Terms of Service Canon 2010;*
- (e) wilful disobedience to or breach of any of the rules and regulations of the Diocesan Conference of the Diocese in which such person holds office or resides;*
- (f) disobedience to any judgement, sentence or order of the Archbishop, a Diocesan Bishop, the Tribunal, or any Court of the Church in Wales*