

Buildings subject to a sharing agreement pursuant to the Sharing of Church Buildings Act 1969 or in membership with the Baptist Union of Great Britain or the Baptist Union of Wales

The Departments [of Culture, Media and Sport and the Welsh Office] and the Churches Main Committee have agreed the following proposals regarding shared church buildings:

- i Where the owner of the shared church is an exempt church covered by the 1994 Order, the shared building will come within the internal system of control of that church. Where neither the owner nor any of the sharing churches is covered by the 1994 Order, the building will come under secular control;
- ii Where the owner is not a church covered by the 1994 Order, but one or more of the shared churches is so covered, the building will be able to brought within one of their systems of control; and
- iii Where the building is jointly owned by all or some sharing churches, and one or more of the sharing churches is covered by the 1994 Order, the building will be able to be brought within one of their systems of control (or the faculty jurisdiction system).

Quoted in *Follow up to the Review of the Ecclesiastical Exemption (The Newman Report)*,
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