**Annex 1**

**PETERBOROUGH DIOCESAN BOARD OF FINANCE (PDBF)**

**Ministry Hardship Fund Application Form**

The PDBF has received a grant of £47,000 from the Archbishops’ Council as part of a nationwide scheme to assist those engaged in ministry who are struggling with the cost of living crisis. The PDBF will use these funds to make targeted hardship grants to those engaged in ministry, who are experiencing financial hardship as a result of increases in the cost of living crisis especially heating bills i.e.

1. Stipendiary clergy, including curates
2. Self-supporting ministers with a provided house (‘House-for-Duty’)
3. Salaried lay workers employed by the diocese or parishes such as youth and children’s workers
4. Retired clergy carrying out a specific role in support of Diocesan ministry as agreed by or at the request of a Bishop or Archdeacon.

These hardship grants will be one off grants and will be given at the discretion of the PDBF.

If you are experiencing such hardship and would like to be considered for a grant, please complete the simple form below.

Name: ………..………………………………………………………………………………………….

Position: ………..……………………………………………………………………………………….

I am experiencing financial hardship because (tick any boxes that apply):

[ ] I am provided with a house for the better performance of my duties which is proving expensive to heat;

[ ] my household income has not kept up with inflation; and/or

[ ] any other reason you would like us to be aware of (please provide further details):

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My ministry is (tick all which apply):

[ ] Paid

[ ] Self supporting

[ ] Lay

[ ] Ordained

[ ] as a parochial office holder

[ ] as an employee

[ ] carried out after retirement from office or employment

[ ] other (please specify):

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Bank Details:

A/C No: ………………………………………………… Sort Code: …………………………………

Signed: ………………………………………………… Date: ……………………………………….

**Please return this form to:**

The Diocesan Office

The Palace

Peterborough

PE1 1YB

[office@peterborough-diocese.org.uk](javascript:void(location.href='mailto:'+String.fromCharCode(111,102,102,105,99,101,64,112,101,116,101,114,98,111,114,111,117,103,104,45,100,105,111,99,101,115,101,46,111,114,103,46,117,107)))

***Please note:*** *This form should not be sent to payroll, as the PDBF will be making the payment, which will be in the form of a non-taxable grant.*