

Christ Church Oxford

Our coverage of events at Christ Church Cathedral from November 2018 to present was restricted to events in which the Church of England was directly involved and for which there was reliable source material.

- [Law and religion round-up – 25th November](#), (25 November 2018). Last week's round-up [noted](#) the Bishop of Oxford's [statement](#) that the Governing Body and Chapter had requested that the complaint against the Very Revd Professor Martyn Percy related to a college governance matter and was to be reviewed by an independently-chaired internal tribunal. An [article](#) in *The Guardian* had indicated that the Church of England was not involved in the tribunal and that there is no question of invoking the Clergy Disciplinary Measure. Nevertheless, a tweet from the Archbishop Cranmer blog indicated that an "astonishing number of people are trashing the CofE for Martyn Percy's suspension as Dean of Christ Church Oxford", adding "It is *not* a church matter.
- On 21 August 2019, Christ Church, Oxford, issued a brief [communication](#) which stated "following a thorough investigation, the tribunal has decided that the charges are not upheld and that there is no cause to remove the Dean as Head of House". This was followed by a [statement](#) from The Rt Revd Dr Steven Croft, Bishop of Oxford. (19 August 2019).
- [Tribunal outcome: Christ Church, Oxford](#), Christ Church, Oxford, has published the following [announcement](#) concerning a complaint raised in September 2018 against the Dean, The Very Revd. Professor Martyn Percy. A subsequent [statement](#) welcomed Dr Percy back to Cathedral duties. Also below is the [response](#) from the Bishop of Oxford. (21 August 2019).
- [Law and religion round-up – 25th August](#), Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford: In our round-up on [25 November 2018](#), we noted that we did not intend to comment or post on the suspension of The Very Revd Professor Martyn Percy unless the Church of England itself becomes directly involved; the Cathedral is specifically excluded from ecclesiastical legislation including the [Cathedrals Measure 1999](#) and the [Care of Cathedral Measure 2011](#). (25 August 2019).
- [Employment Tribunal Claim – Christ Church, Oxford](#), Statements by Christ Church Cathedral and Oxford Diocese. (17 February 2020).
- [Safeguarding statements: Christ Church, Oxford](#), Statements from [Church of England](#), the [Bishop of Oxford](#) and [Christ Church](#). (8 September 2020).
- [Law and religion round-up – 22nd November](#). A complaint has been made against Professor Martyn Percy, Dean of Christ Church and of Oxford Cathedral, which will be investigated by the Church of England under the provisions of the Clergy Discipline Measure. A [statement](#) has been issued by the Diocese of Oxford. (22 November 2020).
- [Is a cathedral dean an employee? Dean Martyn Percy](#). Review of *Dean Martyn Percy v The Dean & Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Christ in Oxford of the Foundation of King Henry VIII [2020] UKET 3310878/2019*, (9 November 2020).
- [Law and religion round-up – 10th January](#). Dean Martyn Percy: On 9 January 2021 both [Christ Church](#) and the [Diocese of Oxford](#) diocese issued statements following further media reports. These reports in *The Times* and *Daily Telegraph* have been summarized by [Thinking Anglicans](#). (10 January 2021).
- [Law and religion round-up – 17th January](#), Dean Martyn Percy: Statement from Christ Church Cathedral, (17 January 2021).
- [Ecclesiastical Court Judgments – May](#), CDM Decisions: Reference 2, *supra*. (1 June 2021).

- [**Ecclesiastical court judgments 2021**](#). CDM Decisions: Reference to [**Ward v Percy – 28 May 2021**](#) in which the President of Tribunals, Dame Sarah Asplin issued her decision, dated 28 May, concerning the CDM complaint made last November by Graham Ward in respect of the alleged conduct of Martyn Percy on 4 October. Her decision concluded: “[10]. ...it is entirely disproportionate that this matter should be referred to a tribunal”. (8 December 2021).
- [**Statement: The Very Revd. Martyn Percy**](#). (4 February 2022).
- [**Christ Church Oxford: Governance Review**](#), (8 April 2022).
- [**A particular peculiar**](#), (10 April 2022). In weekly round-up, and Comments to [**Christ Church Oxford: Governance Review**](#).
- [**Christ Church Oxford safeguarding review**](#). Review and summary of [**Terms of Reference**](#). (26 April 2022).

Other non L&RUK material includes:

- [**Oxford Dons plan litigation against Archbishop Cranmer**](#), January 10, 2022.
- [**Christ Church Board of Governors warned of jail time**](#), 14 January 2022.
- [**Statement: The Very Revd. Martyn Percy**](#). (4 February 2022).
- [**Christ Church Oxford settles dispute with Dean**](#): texts of the statements by the College, the Diocese and Dr Percy, Simon Sarmiento, *Thinking Anglicans* (4 February 2022).
- [**Factsheet: Martyn Percy and Christ Church Oxford, Religion Media Centre**](#), (updated 4 February 2022).
- [**Independent Chair, Governance Review, Christ Church, Oxford**](#), (6 April 2022).
- [**Brief for the position of Independent Chair, Governance Review Christ Church, Oxford**](#), Odgers Berndtson, (6 April 2022).

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