Objectives of The Reforming Alliance within the UCA

The objects of the Alliance shall be the advancement of and witness to the Christian faith within The Uniting Church in Australia by:

- (a) Upholding the Reformed, Orthodox and Evangelical commitment to faith in the all-sufficient love of God – Father, Son, Holy Spirit – as authoritatively attested in Holy Scripture and set out in the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds as well as in the <u>Basis of Union</u>;
- (b) Calling on all members and councils to adhere to the <u>Basis</u> of <u>Union</u>;
- (c) Calling for reform where we consider the UCA deviates from upholding the Lordship of Christ, the Holy Scriptures as our final authority in discerning His will, and the <u>Basis of Union</u>, and by continuing to seek this reformation in our own lives;
- (d) Grounding the Christian ethic for the whole of life on the triune God's love, mercy, holiness and justice, revealed in the Holy Scriptures;
- (e) Rejoicing in understanding of Christian marriage as the faithful union of a woman and a man in Christ and the Church, thereby embodying the image of God and providing the only divinely approved context for the expression of our sexuality and the procreation of children;
- (f) Working for constitutional reform to ensure that the Councils of the UCA work more effectively in an interrelated way;
- (g) Developing partnerships for a more effective proclamation of the Christian faith in our pluralist and multicultural society;

- (h) Working towards the renewal of commitment to national evangelism and the growth of God's kingdom in our society and its neighbours; and
- (i) Establishing and reaffirming ecumenical relations with other churches.