



Anglican Diocese of Auckland

DIOCESAN COUNCIL

Summary of Meeting

*held on Thursday 3rd November 2022 at 4:00pm
chaired by The Right Rev'd Ross Bay
Boardroom, Neligan House*

Membership

A quorum for all houses was present. The Diocesan Manager and Minute Secretary were also present. Members were asked to disclose any interests in relation to agenda items.

Opening

The meeting opened with prayer.

General Business

Minutes of 29th September 2022 were adopted as a true and correct record. The schedule of outstanding matters was discussed and updated.

Bishop's Matters

A verbal update of the Bishop's activities was presented.

Diocesan Manager and Property Manager Reports

The Diocesan Manager's Report of Diocesan office activities was received.

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Finance, Risk and Audit Committee

Diocesan Council approved the Finance, Risk and Audit report for September 2022.

Ministry Unit Matters

Albany and Greenhithe MD – Lease of Shore Grace Church

A request was received from the Albany/Greenhithe Mission District to lease the church and buildings at St Michael's Greenhithe for a period of 5 months, with one right of renewal for three years.

This request was approved.

Parish of Kaitaia – Financial Support

A request was received from the Parish of Kaitaia for financial support for the Parish over three years.

This request was approved.

Mission District of Wellsford – Closure of Parish

A request was received from the Mission District of Wellsford for Diocesan Council to assent to the closure of the Parish.

This request was approved and Diocesan Council will formulate a plan for the ongoing management of the assets.

Mauku LSMU – Investment of Waiuku Cash Funds

A request was received from Mauku LSMU to invest cash funds in the name of Waiuku into the GTB Balanced Fund in order to gain a better return on investments.

This request was approved.

St Andrew's Epsom – Auckland Council Heritage Funding Application

A request was received from St Andrew's Epsom to apply for funding from Auckland Council's Regional Historic Heritage Grants Programme to go towards the church restoration and maintenance project at St Andrew's Epsom.

This request was approved.

Parish of Clevedon – Auckland Council Heritage Funding Application

A request was received from the Parish of Clevedon to apply for funding from Auckland Council's Regional Historic Heritage Grants Programme to go towards the commissioning of a Conservation Plan for St James' Church Ardmore.

This request was approved.

Other Business

Post Synod Actions 2022

Diocesan Council approved the establishment of Working Groups for Synod Motion 2 – Synod Review, Motion 6 – Ministry Unit Property, and Motion 7 – Independent Review of Centralised Accounting Services.

Diocesan Council approved amendments to the wording of the title of Synod Motion 8 - the addition of the words 'and Absenteeism' to the title of the motion, and the addition of the words 'following the Covid crisis' to the sub-heading of the motion.

Diocesan Council Membership Appointments

Ms Valonia Lawrence and Dr Paul Woodfield were appointed until Synod 2023 as Lay members of Diocesan Council.

Te Aute Trust Board – AIMS Scheme

Diocesan Council approved the request from the Te Aute Trust Board that they are accepted to the scheme for a further three years and will receive a 50% rebate on management fees.

Suitable Housing Policy – Annual Review

The Suitable Housing Policy was reviewed, and no changes were necessary.

Diocesan Space Programme – Lottery Community Funding Application

A request was received from the Diocesan Space Programme to apply for funding from Lottery Community Facilities to go towards the Facilitator costs for the 2023 programme. This request was approved.

Seasons for Growth Wellsford Warkworth – Lottery Community Funding Application

A request was received from the Seasons for Growth Wellsford Warkworth chapter to apply for funding from Lottery Community Facilities to go towards costs for the 2023 programme. This request was approved.

Minchin Trust – Review

A request was received from the Minchin Trust Board to change the name of an Investment Fund to match the bequest documentation of the fund. This request was approved.

Church Life Survey – Anglican Participation in 2023

Diocesan Council approved some funding towards the registration fees towards the 2023 Church Life Survey to assist engagement with the survey across the Diocese.

Merriman Trust – Funds Distribution

The annual clergy Christmas distribution was approved to be distributed from the Merriman Trust.

Disability Community Working Group

Following the resignation of the Disability Community Chaplain, Rev'd Vicki Terrell, Diocesan Council approved the disbanding of the Disability Community Chaplain's Working Group and invited the Ministry Formation Team and the Diocesan Manager to continue the work of the Disability Community Chaplain's Working Group in the areas of Disability Policy and Disability Awareness Professional Development Training for the Diocese.

Working Group Updates

Diocesan Health and Safety

The Health and Safety Report was received.

Information Papers and Correspondence

Information papers and correspondence were received.

Closing

The meeting closed at 6:15pm with prayer.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 1st December 2022 commencing at 4pm.