

DIOCESAN COUNCIL

Summary of Meeting

held on Thursday, 31 March 2022 at 4pm chaired by The Right Rev'd Ross Bay Held on Zoom due to COVID-19 Red Traffic Light

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 24th February 2022 were adopted as a true and correct record. The schedule of outstanding matters was discussed and updated.

Bishop's Matters

The Right Rev'd Ross Bay provided a verbal update of the Bishop's activities.

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 February 2022. Diocesan Council approved the re-signing of the Trust Management Ltd Service Agreement for a further 3-year term.

Ministry Unit Matters

Parish of St Andrews, Epsom – Funding Applications

A request was received from the Parish of St Andrew's Epsom to apply for funding from Foundation North and Lottery Environment and Heritage to go towards the St Andrew's church restoration and maintenance project.

This request was approved.

St Martin's at St Chad's Sandringham - Church Closure

Diocesan Council has assented to St Martins at St Chads, Sandringham decision, after much consideration, to the closure of the church.

Parish of St George, Epsom – Funding Applications

A request was received from the Parish of St George's Epsom to apply for funding from the Auckland Council's Albert-Eden Local Board Grants Programme, the Remuera Heritage Society – (Ohinerangi Trust), and the Akarana Charitable Trust to go towards the St George's Church Roof Replacement project.

This request was approved.

Great Barrier Island - Request for Funding

A request was received from St John's Great Barrier Island for Diocesan Council to contribute to the funding of the remainder of the building project.

This request was approved.

Parish of Hibiscus Coast – Funding Application (Decision by circulation)

A request was received from the Parish of Hibiscus Coast to apply for funding from Auckland Council's Hibiscus and Bays Facilities Grant 2021/2022 programme to go towards the St Chad's Church Hall renovation project.

This request was approved.

St John's Campbells Bay – Garden Room Licence to Occupy

A request was received from St John's Campbells Bay to apply for a Licence to Occupy for their Garden Room.

This request was approved.

Other Business

Covid-19 Protection Policy

The Covid-19 Protection Policy was rescinded after government changes to the mandates meant most of the remaining parts of the policy were obsolete or covered elsewhere in the Diocesan Covid Guidelines. This was communicated to ministry units.

Diocesan Development Fund – Funding Decisions

Two recommendations were made to the Diocesan Council for funding from the Development Fund. One was approved, one was declined due to not meeting the funding criteria.

Covid Relief Fund

Diocesan Council approved a further covid relief grant to one ministry unit.

Auckland Free Fares Campaign

A request for support was received from the Sustainability Coordinator and ADJust for the Auckland Free Fares Campaign.

This request was approved.

Te Manawa o Te Wheke (Decision by circulation)

Diocesan Council approved a monetary gift to Te Manawa o Te Wheke to assist with the purchase of a property suitable for development of benefit to the community and iwi of the area.

Tikanga Pakeha Conference Working Group

Diocesan Council approved appointments to the following Tikanga Pakeha Conference Working Groups - Tikanga Pakeha Liturgical Working Group, Tikanga Pakeha Ecumenical Group, Overseas Mission – Tikanga Pakeha, Tikanga Pakeha Ministry Council.

Viability of Parishes

Ongoing and projected pressures on ministry units and plans to address these via diocesan strategy were discussed.

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 6:30pm with a prayer.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 28th April 2022 commencing at 4pm.