

DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND
Diocesan Council

Minutes of the Meeting Held at 4 pm
On Thursday 30 March 2017, Boardroom, Neligan House

CHAIRPERSON: The Right Reverend Jim White

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8138.	<p>Apologies Ms Jackie Addis</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>It was MOVED by Graham Jones and SECONDED by Rev Lucy Nguyen that the apologies be accepted.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">AGREED</p> <p>Lateness Ms Deborah Rolland – joined the meeting at 4:35pm</p> <p>In Attendance Ms Sonia Maugham (Diocesan Manager) Ms Valonia Dsouza (Minute Secretary)</p>																
8139.	<p>Devotions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rev Jordan Greatbatch led the devotions 																
8140.	<p>Confirmation of Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A draft “Vision from the Bishops” paper was tabled by the Bishops. 																
8141.	<p>Schedule of Disclosure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • St Luke’s Mount Albert Sabbatical Funding – Rev Clare Barrie declared an interest. • St Columba Grey Lynn Parish Boundaries – Patricia Hall declared an interest. • Whangarei MD Working Group – Rev Alan Burnett declared an interest. 																
8142.	<p>Matters Arising – Confirmation of Agenda</p> <p>Diocesan Council In Committee from 4:15pm to 4:35pm.</p>																

8143.	<p>Confirmation of Minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minute 8126 – Name correction of Rev Bryan Haggitt. • Minute 8135 – Name correction of Ms Megan Bowden QSM. <p><i>It was MOVED by Rev Bryan Haggitt and SECONDED by Graham Jones that the minutes of the meeting held on the 18 February 2017 be confirmed as a true and correct record.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">AGREED</p>
8144.	<p>Bishop Matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Bishops tabled a draft paper “We spy with our little eyes; a vision from the Bishops”. The aim of the paper is to create a starting point for further dialogue and discussions within the Diocese. <p>The paper focuses “Who” we are, “What” we are and “How” we are. The vision is implicitly confirmed in a number of daily practices and the Five marks of Mission. The goal is to enable local faith communities to flourish in their life together and their engagement with the wider community. The Bishops have considered what a “Healthy Church” would like and that growth is not only limited to numerical and extends to organic, incarnational and maturational growth. The Bishops have identified nine markers that make up the characteristics for a healthy church.</p> <p>Archdeacon Sarah Moss has been appointed in the Episcopal Team to review Ministry Units and help them develop goals in order to be able to flourish in their communities.</p> <p>This paper will be presented to the Episcopal Team for further discussions before being presented to the wider Diocese.</p> <p>The Bishops have welcomed for Diocesan Council to give them further feedback on the paper.</p>
8145.	<p>Matters Outstanding – Schedule of Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Bishops are still awaiting availability of members regarding Standing Panel of Title D tribunal. • Sector Council to be changed to Anglican Care Council. The Anglican Care Council is being currently reviewed. • Richard Bonifant wishes to step down from the Social Justice Working Group and the Diocesan Manager will check with the group if they need more representatives on their group. • Equal Gender Representative Group to be added to the Working Group Items in the agenda. • Stipends and Pensions Committee are still looking for nominations. • Project Rose Garden – Verbal Report has been received at a previous meeting

8146.	<p>Property Manager's Report</p> <p><i>Geoff Clark joined the meeting at 5.11 pm.</i></p> <p>The Property Manager presented the property report to the Diocesan Council.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Point Chevalier: The sale has been concluded for \$4 million approx. It has been sold to a family who intend to keep all the buildings on the property. The hall will be turned into their living dwelling. The church building may be used for wedding venue and other community activities. The deal settles on the 7 April 2017. • Huapai LSMU: An anonymous parishioner has offered to fund the repairs towards the building. <p>The property report was received by Diocesan Council.</p>
8147.	<p>Decision Papers</p> <p>Parish of Devonport – Sale of St Augustine's Church, Hall and Property</p> <p>The buildings making up the Parish of Devonport consist of Holy Trinity Church, hall and vicarage situated in Church Street, East Devonport. A secondary church, St Augustine's and hall are situated in the Stanley Bay area. The Parish wish to sell the property containing St Augustine and the hall.</p> <p>There has been a wide consultation with no negative feedback. All sale funds are to be invested with the General Trust Board and the Parish would need to make a separate application to access the funds.</p> <p><i>It was MOVED by Karen Spoelstra and SECONDED by Megan Bowden that approval be given to Parish of Devonport to sell St Augustine's Church, Hall and Property and that the resulting funds to be invested with the General Trust Board.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">AGREED</p>
8148.	<p>South Hokianga Co-operating Parish – Ownership Ratios Omapere Vicarage</p> <p>The Co-operating Parish would like to finally clarify the ownership of the Omapere vicarage. This has been a long and ongoing issue. The land on which the vicarage sits was gifted to the Anglican Church by the local Maori. A letter from the Methodist Church General Secretary dated 23 November 1984 advised that the ownership be 50-50.</p> <p><i>It was MOVED from The Chair and SECONDED by David Howe that Diocesan Council recommends to South Hokianga Parish and the Methodist Church of NZ that the ownership values of the vicarage building at Omapere be set at 50-50 between the Anglicans and the Methodists.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">AGREED</p>

8149.	<p>Coromandel Vicarage</p> <p>Diocesan Council has previously agreed to the subdivision and sale of the Christ Church Vicarage land to provide a financial means of supporting Coromandel. Diocesan Council also loaned the Mission District funds to assist with this. However, the current vestry of Coromandel Mission District have decided not to sell the Vicarage and rather intend to explore a new and different use that would benefit the mission and ministry in Coromandel. They would like to trial this for a one-year trial from 1 September 2017. They acknowledge that they are liable for the repayment of the loan and costs incurred in relation to the subdivision, and would like to seek clemency for the same period towards those amounts.</p> <p><i>It was MOVED by David Howe and SECONDED by Rev Jordan Greatbatch that Diocesan Council reverse the resolution to sell the Christ Church vicarage of Coromandel MD and approve that the term of the loan repayment of \$15,000 and costs incurred due to subdivision of the land be extended to September 2018.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">AGREED</p>
8150.	<p>Holy Trinity Otahuhu – Purchase of Apartment</p> <p>The Parish of Holy Trinity, Otahuhu seeks approval to purchase an apartment on the land adjacent to, and previously owned by the Parish. New Zealand living are building 82 apartments on this site and the Ministry Unit would like to purchase a two-bedroom apartment costing approx. \$650,000. The cost of purchasing the apartment will be covered by the money received from the sale of the land. The house could be used as a clergy housing or rent it for housing allowance. Lawyers are looking at the sale purchase agreement.</p> <p>The Council raised concerns that the apartment would not meet vicarage standards and areas as the parish does not own a vicarage, consideration should be given to securing such a property. Also, they were apprehensive about renting the apartment to help with housing allowance. The Diocesan Council have requested more information from the Property Manager that would help them make an informed decision on the viability of such an investment.</p>
8151.	<p>North Hokianga Co-operating Parish – Request for Capital Funds</p> <p>The North Hokianga Co-operating Parish would like to have access to approx. \$4,000 from the investment funds (from the vicarage sale) to help Ripeka Tapu Anglican Church at Rangi Point to build a wooden gazebo on the grounds outside the church site to have a shaded/sheltered area for post church gathering. The Ripeka Tapu Anglican Church is held by local Maori trustees and not by The General Trust Board. As per the Statutes, the funds held are for capital works for Anglican properties.</p> <p>Diocesan Council has requested that the Property Manager investigate the matter further and present a more detailed proposal at the next Diocesan Council meeting.</p>

	<p>Geoff Clark left the meeting at 5:45pm.</p>
8152.	<p>Finance Report</p> <p>The Finance Report was presented by Sonia Maugham, Diocesan Manager.</p> <p>The Finance and Audit Committee have recommended that due to the current cash flow situation, Diocesan Council begin to transfer funds to an operating reserve. The Diocese should be maintaining sufficient funds on hand to ensure it can meet up to two months of normal overheads.</p> <p><i>It was MOVED by The Chair that a decision about an operating reserve being established be deferred until the next meeting when the annual accounts will be presented and Diocesan Council will have a clearer picture of the financial situation.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">AGREED</p> <p>The Diocesan Manager recommends that Trust Management be invited to present the year end accounts for the Diocese at the April Diocesan Council meeting.</p> <p><i>It was MOVED by Graham Jones and SECONDED by Rev Alan Burnett that Trust Management be invited to present the 2016 Year End Accounts at the April Diocesan Council meeting.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">AGREED</p>
	<p>Decision Papers [Continued]</p>
8153.	<p>Hui Amorangi ki Te Manawa o te Wheke – meeting in Thames</p> <p>At the General Synod in Napier, it was agreed that Diocesan Council would meet with Hui Amorangi ki Te Manawa o te Wheke Trust Board to continue discussions regarding resource sharing and land transfers.</p> <p>The Bishops sought volunteers from Diocesan Council that would like to accompany them to this meeting.</p> <p>Garry Smith, Megan Bowden, Rev Jordan Greatbatch, Rev Bryan Haggitt and Deborah Rolland volunteered to represent Diocesan Council.</p>
8154.	<p>Vaughan Park Governance Board – Appointment of Representatives</p> <p>Diocesan Council has been requested to consider their two appointments to the Vaughan Park Governance Board for the ensuing twelve months. The current representatives are Ms. Megan Bowden and Mr. John Alexander. Diocesan Council has also requested information from Vaughan Park about succession and renewal of membership of Diocesan Council members on the Board.</p>

	<p><i>It was MOVED by Rev Alan Burnett and SECONDED by Rev Lucy Nguyen that Ms Megan Bowden and Mr John Alexander be nominated for a further 12 months to the Vaughan Park Governance Board.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">AGREED</p> <p>8155. St Luke's Mount Albert – Sabbatical Relief Support</p> <p>Rev Clare Barrie will be on sabbatical from mid-June to mid-July 2017. Her sabbatical leave has been approved by the Diocesan Sabbatical Committee. St Luke's Mount Albert is seeking funding for a half stipend during Rev Clare Barrie's sabbatical to cover worship and pastoral needs which will cost approximately \$3500.</p> <p><i>It was MOVED by Rev Richard Bonifant and SECONDED by Rev Jordan Greatbatch that Diocesan Council approve half stipend of \$3500 for relief support for St Luke's Mount Albert during Rev Clare Barrie's sabbatical from June to mid-July 2017.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">AGREED</p> <p>8156. General Trust Board – O'Hara Bequest</p> <p>The Diocesan Council raised concerns regarding the use of the O'Hara Bequest funds when a request for funds was made, in October 2016, to refurbish the hall of St Andrews Waiuku and Districts Combined Church (Methodist/Presbyterian) in Queen Street to better accommodate the Waiuku Selwyn Centre. This group had previously met at Holy Trinity Waiuku prior to the closure of the Church.</p> <p>The original request was made by Heather Boyce, Waiuku Selwyn Centre Group Coordinator, and her request was supported by the Mauku LSMU. The amount requested was \$25K.</p> <p>Diocesan Council wishes to ensure that the terms of the bequest were honoured and hence requested the Diocesan Manager to determine the terms of the O'Hara Bequest and associated matters. As per the findings, the funds from the bequest are to be used for new or existing buildings of the Church of England in Waiuku.</p> <p><i>Due to the terms of the bequest, Diocesan Council declined the request made by Heather Boyce, Waiuku Selwyn Centre Group to use the O'Hara Bequest funds to refurbish the hall of St Andrew's Waiuku and Districts Combined Church (Methodist/Presbyterian).</i></p> <p>Diocesan Council had also approved \$25,500 in 2016 to assist with repair works in Waiuku. However, it was not minuted. The Diocesan Manager has recommended that Diocesan Council retrospectively minute the approval of the amount and that they give permission to the Diocesan Manager to set up an on call maintenance fund for ongoing works at Waiuku.</p>
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	<p><i>It was MOVED from the Chair and SECONDED by Rev Bryan Haggitt that Diocesan Council retrospectively approve the withdrawal of \$25,500 towards repair work in Waiuku.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">AGREED</p> <p><i>It was MOVED by Rev Alan Burnett and SECONDED by Rev Lucy Nguyen that permission be given to the Diocesan Manager to set up an on call maintenance fund for ongoing works in Waiuku, where half of the Vicarage income and other rental income will be deposited and managed, and that discretion regarding withdrawal lie with the same office.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">AGREED</p> <p><i>It was MOVED by Garry Smith and SECONDED by Rev Alan Burnett that General Trust Board be advised to split the investment into two funds: OHara_1 Diocesan Council/Waiuku and OHara_2 Mauku for easier management of the funds</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">AGREED</p>
8157.	<p>Clergy Stipend Increase 2017/2018</p> <p>The Inter Diocesan Conference Coordinating Group (IDCCG) have commissioned an Annual Stipend Review report for the period 1 May 2017 – 30 April 2018 from Strategic Pay Limited and have recommended a 1.7 percent increase to stipends for the same period.</p> <p>The clerical members and Bishops, along with lay employee Karen Spoelstra all acknowledged their interest.</p> <p><i>It was MOVED by Deborah Rolland and SECONDED by Garry Smith that Diocesan Council approve the stipend increase of 1.7 percent for clergy from 1 May 2017 to 30 April 2018 as recommended by the Inter Diocesan Conference Coordinating Group and that the lay staff members included in the Diocesan budget receive the same percentage increase.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">AGREED</p>
8158.	<p>St Columba Grey Lynn – Parish Boundaries</p> <p>The vestry of St Columba have requested Diocesan Council consider extending the Parish boundaries of St Columba to include Pt Chevalier. The Pt Chevalier boundaries are under review and the Diocesan Manager is expecting a report on parish realignment proposal.</p> <p>Diocesan Council will defer the decision regarding Grey Lynn’s request until the proposal is available for review. Diocesan Manager to advise St Columba of Diocesan Council’s decision.</p>

8159.	<p>Diocesan Health and Safety Working Group</p> <p>The Diocesan Office sent out a memo to all Ministry Units asking for volunteers to be a part of the Diocesan Health and Safety Working Group. The purpose of the Safety Group will be to develop a H&S plan and work on joint safety initiatives.</p> <p><i>It was MOVED by Rev Jordan Greatbatch and SECONDED by Graham Jones that Diocesan Council appoint:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Ian Pallas, Liz Martin, Colin Chipperfield and Lee Hanna to the Diocesan Safety Group, with Rev Clare Barrie as the clergy representative; and</i> ○ <i>That the Diocesan Manager and Project Manager to the Diocesan Manager are also appointed to the Safety Group; and</i> ○ <i>That the Diocesan Council invites Tai Tokerau to appoint a representative to join the Safety Group.</i> ○ . <p style="text-align: right;">AGREED</p>
8160.	<p>Working Group Updates</p> <p>Quota Working Group</p> <p>David Howe presented a verbal report on the Quota Working Group. The group has raised concerns on the best approach to communicate with the Diocese around the work of the group. The QWG has been on a positive path and will be presenting a draft proposal at the April Diocesan Council meeting.</p>
8161.	<p>Cathedral Consecration</p> <p>Deborah Rolland presented a verbal report. The Cathedral consecration is continuing on a good trajectory. The Auckland Museum exhibition will begin in August and continue until January 2018. A communications memo has been sent out to all Ministry Units regarding the consecration.</p>
8162.	<p>Whangarei MD</p> <p>The working group received 8-9 submissions from Whangarei MD. The group will be writing a report. The report will be produced to Diocesan Council only after it has been presented to Whangarei MD.</p>
8163.	<p>Information Papers and Correspondence</p> <p>Diocesan Mission and Ministry Resource Team Report March 2017</p> <p>Karen Spoelstra, Team Leader presented her report to Diocesan Council. Her report was received by the Diocesan Council.</p>

8164.	<p>Diocesan Climate Change Action Group Sustainability Report</p> <p>Diocesan Climate Change Action Group Sustainability Report was received by the Diocesan Council. Their request for funding was noted and Diocesan Council will discuss the funding possibility once it has a clearer picture of its finances.</p>
8165.	<p>St Luke's Mount Albert - First Ministry Placement Fundraising</p> <p>The Diocesan Council acknowledged and thanked the Community and Parish Council of St Luke's Mount Albert for hosting a parish appeal and raising \$10,909 towards the First Ministry Placement Funds. The Diocesan Manager is writing to the Parish to thank them.</p>
8166.	<p>St John's Funding Applications - Round Two</p> <p>St John's Trust Board has advised that the funding applications for the Community of Trinity and E-Fest Waitangi Weekend Retreat were successful.</p> <p>At the Diocesan Council January 2017 meeting, Diocesan Council had agreed to underwrite the Community of Trinity, if the St John's funding was to be declined. As the application has been successful, Diocesan Council funding is not required.</p>
8167.	<p>Closing</p> <p>The meeting closed at 6:42pm with Grace.</p> <p>The next meeting will be held on the 27 April 2017 at 4.00 pm in the Boardroom, Neligan House.</p>

Signature: 

Date: 27 April 2017