



DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIRST SESSION OF THE FIFTY-SIXTH SYNOD OF THE DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND

FIRST DAY – THURSDAY 5 SEPTEMBER 2019

WORSHIP

Members of the Synod gathered for a Eucharist in the Church of St Mary's in Holy Trinity Cathedral, Parnell. The Rt Rev'd Ross Bay presided. The Preacher was The Rt Rev'd Jim White.

QUORUM

The Diocesan Manager, Ms Sonia Maugham, certified that the requisite number of members were present to constitute the Synod. The President of the Synod formally constituted the Synod at 6.33pm.

At the conclusion of the Eucharist, members gathered in the Cathedral for the continuation of the Synod with The Rt Rev'd Ross Bay presiding.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were recorded in the attendance registers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Diocesan Manager and the Dean made announcements.

ORDER OF THE DAY:

THE BISHOP'S CHARGE

The Rt Rev'd Ross Bay, Bishop of Auckland, delivered the Bishop's Charge.

MOTIONS SOUGHT TO BE INTRODUCED:

Mr Peter Lineham sought leave to introduce a motion without notice.
The President granted leave pursuant to Standing Order 14(b)(iii).

MOVED BY: Mr Peter Lineham

SECONDED BY: The Rev'd Andrew Coyle

"That the Synod expresses its thanks to the Bishop for his charge and that it be made available in written form."

AGREED

REPORTS AND ACCOUNTS

The Diocesan Manager tabled the following:

Minute Book of Diocesan Council

Terrier of Properties in terms of Title F Canon III Clause 4.2

PROCEDURAL MOTIONS

(a) **Hours of Business**

THE PRESIDENT MOVED:

"THAT the hours of business of this First Session of the Fifty-Sixth Synod be:

- i. Thursday 5 September 2019 - from 6.30pm to 9.00pm;
 - ii. Friday 6 September 2019 - from 8.30am to 5.30pm including meal and refreshment breaks at 10.30am-10.55am, 1.00pm-1.45pm and 3.00pm-3.30pm;
 - iii. Saturday 7 September 2019 - from 8.30am to 5.00pm including meal and refreshment breaks at 10.30am-10.55am, 1.00pm-1.45pm and 3.00pm-3.30pm;
- provided that any sitting may be extended by Motion Without Notice."

AGREED

(b) **Auditors**

THE PRESIDENT MOVED:

"THAT KPMG be appointed auditors for the following entities for the year ended December 2019: Diocesan Council; Anglican Trusts Board."

AGREED

(c) **Order Paper Committee**

THE PRESIDENT MOVED:

"THAT the Order Paper Committee be the Diocesan Bishop, the Chancellor, and Deputy to the Diocesan Manager."

AGREED

(d) **Synod Officers**

THE PRESIDENT MOVED:

"THAT the following be appointed as Officers of the Fifty-Sixth Synod:

<i>Clerical Secretary</i>	The Rev'd Peter Jenkins
<i>Deputy Clerical Secretary</i>	The Rev'd Louise Anderson
<i>Lay Secretary</i>	Mrs Barbara Bryan
<i>Deputy Lay Secretary</i>	Mrs Mary Griffiths
<i>Chair of Committees</i>	Ms Dawn Jones
<i>Deputy Chair of Committees</i>	Ms Amanda Mark

Clerk of Committees
Deputy Clerk of Committees

The Rev'd Matthew Griffiths
The Rev'd Gendi Burwell."

The President noted that The Rev'd Sarah West would stand in for The Rev'd Gendi Burwell on Friday morning as Deputy Clerk of the Committees.

AGREED

(e) **Legal Business Committee**

THE PRESIDENT MOVED:

"THAT the following be appointed as members of the Legal Business Committee: The Worshipful Bruce Gray QC, Mr Andrew Peat, Ms Dawn Jones, Mr Richard Gay, Ms Amanda Mark."

AGREED

ELECTIONS

THE PRESIDENT MOVED:

"THAT nominations for elections to Stipends and Pensions Committee, Panel of Potential Diocesan Nominators, Diocesan Council and General Synod Te Hinota Whanui shall close at 1.45pm on Friday 6 September 2019 and that ballots shall take place on Friday 6 September 2019."

AGREED

CLOSING PRAYERS were led by the President and The Rt Rev'd Kito Pikaahu.

ADJOURNMENT

The President declared Synod adjourned at 8.40pm

SECOND DAY – FRIDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2019

SYNOD IN SESSION at 8.30am, The Rt Rev'd Ross Bay presiding.

MORNING PRAYERS

Morning Prayers were led by the Synod Chaplain.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were recorded in the attendance registers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Diocesan Manager made some announcements and the President made an announcement.

QUESTIONS

Mrs Marcia Gason asked a question.

GREETINGS

Greetings were received from Bishop Peter Carrell of the Diocese of Christchurch, Bishop Steve Maina of the Diocese of Nelson, Archbishop Philip Richardson of the Diocese of Waikato-Taranaki and Bishop Stephen Benford of the Diocese of Dunedin.

MOTIONS SOUGHT TO BE INTRODUCED

No motions were sought to be introduced.

ORDER OF THE DAY

The Ven. Carole Hughes presiding.

Presentation of Report of Diocesan Council

Ms Elizabeth Witton, The Rev'd Bryan Haggitt, Ms Amanda Mark, Mr David Howe, Ms Sue Lewis-O'Halloran, The Rev'd Andrew Coyle and The Rev'd Johnny Grant spoke to the Diocesan Council's Report and answered questions.

ORDER OF THE DAY

The Rt Rev'd Ross Bay presiding.

Report of Legal Business Committee

MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

LEGAL BUSINESS COMMITTEE

MOVED BY: The Worshipful Bruce Gray QC

SECONDED BY: Ms Amanda Mark

MOTION 1

"That whereas the Standing Orders and Standing Resolutions Statute 1968 (#22) authorises the Legal Business Committee to review resolutions passed at the previous Session of Synod with a view to determining which resolutions shall be maintained in force as Standing Resolutions of Synod, this Synod therefore

1. Receives the report of the Legal Business Committee;
2. Recommends the following should become Standing Resolutions:

Motion 2, paragraph 1, Synod 2018

Sustainable Development Goals

THAT this Synod supports the seventeen Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) which are a global call to action to end poverty, protect the planet and ensure all people enjoy peace and prosperity by 2030.

Motion 3, Synod 2018

Suicide Prevention

THAT this Synod:

1. Expresses its concern at the scope of the suicide problem in New Zealand.
2. Establishes a policy that suicide intervention training be compulsory in the Diocese for all stipended clergy and paid youth ministers.
3. Recommends that all unpaid youth ministers undergo suicide intervention training.
4. Recognises we are not always the appropriate support and should know when and where to refer vulnerable people.

Motion 8, paragraph 1, Synod 2018

Support for People with Disabilities

THAT this Synod invites Ministry Units:

1. To review how accessible their buildings are for people with disabilities.
2. To review how accessible their programmes are for people with disabilities.
3. To review worship and other activities to ensure they are inclusive.
4. To develop workshops on accessibility and inclusion.
5. To make achievable improvements with the ultimate goal of full accessibility and inclusion.

3. Recommends the following Standing Resolutions be annulled:

Standing Resolution 8

Vaughan Park Conference Centre

THAT this Synod acknowledges with gratitude the wonderful gifts of the late Thomas Foster Vaughan of over 198 acres at Long Bay, and the residue of his estate to provide and endow a Conference Centre for the Diocese and offers thanksgiving to God for the fulfilment of that vision by the completion of the Centre known as Vaughan Park.

Standing Resolution 36

Decade to Overcome Violence

THAT this Synod:

- (a) notes that the United Nations has declared the years 2001 to 2010 to be The International Decade for a Culture of Peace and Non-violence for the Children of the World;
- (b) further notes that, in keeping with the spirit of that UN initiative, the World Council of Churches launched, in Berlin on 4 February 2001, The Decade To Overcome Violence: Churches Seeking Reconciliation and Peace;

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and requests the Social Justice Council to:

(a) prepare and facilitate the use of study material which relates both to the resolution of current world conflict situations and to the theological and biblical questions involved in the development of a culture of peace and nonviolence;

(b) consult with and encourage participation in its work by persons and groups with expertise in the above areas;

(c) arrange meetings with ministry units, archdeaconries and the Diocese to encourage discussion and debate on these matters during the ten years of The Decade To Overcome Violence;

(d) report to Synod annually during this period.”

The President moved that Synod go into committee to consider the report of the Legal Business Committee.

AGREED

9.38am Synod in committee

9.47am Synod in session

The President moved that the report of the Legal Business Committee be received and put Motion 1 (as amended in committee).

AGREED

The final Motion 1 reads:

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APPROVAL OF BILLS IN PRINCIPLE AND IN DETAIL

STIPENDS AND PENSIONS COMMITTEE

BILL 1

MOVED BY The Rev'd Tony Surman
SECONDED BY The Rev'd Anne Moody

"That Bill Number 1 be approved in principle"

AGREED

9.58am Synod in committee
10.05am Synod in session

MOVED BY THE PRESIDENT

"THAT the detail of Bill Number 1 as agreed by Synod in Committee be approved."

AGREED

YOUTH REPRESENTATION

BILL 2

MOVED BY Ms Karen Spoelstra
SECONDED BY Mr Nathan McDougall

"That Bill Number 2 be approved in principle"

AGREED

10.14am Synod in committee
10.30am Synod in session

10.31am Synod adjourned for Morning Tea.
10.59am Synod in session, The Rt Rev'd Ross Bay presiding.

ORDER OF THE DAY

Presentation by the Auckland City Mission

The Missioner, Mr Chris Farrelly, reported on the work of the Auckland City Mission and the development of the HomeGround Project.

APPROVAL OF BILLS IN PRINCIPLE AND IN DETAIL

11.25am Synod in committee
11.43am Synod in session

MOVED BY THE PRESIDENT

"THAT the detail of Bill Number 2 as agreed by Synod in Committee be approved."

AGREED

REPEAL OF STATUTES

BILL 3

MOVED BY The Ven. Michael Berry
SECONDED BY The Ven. Carole Hughes

"That the principle of Bill Number 3 be approved"

AGREED

11.50am Synod in committee
11.52am Synod in session

MOVED BY THE PRESIDENT

“THAT the detail of Bill Number 3 as agreed by Synod in Committee be approved.”

AGREED

DIOCESAN COUNCIL

BILL 4

MOVED BY The Rev’d Jonathan Grant
SECONDED BY Ms Megan Bowden

“That Bill Number 4 be approved in principle”

AGREED

11.59am Synod in committee
12.36am Synod in session

MOVED BY THE PRESIDENT

“THAT the detail of Bill Number 4 as agreed by Synod in Committee be approved.”

AGREED

MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS

MOTION 2

MOVED BY Mrs Nicola Taylor
SECONDED BY Miss Jessie Newton

“THAT this Synod,

1. Recognises that the current global situation of forcibly displaced people and refugees is counter to God’s intention for humanity.
2. In accordance with the 5 marks of Anglican Mission set out in this Church’s Constitution, and the Decade of Mission, encourages Ministry Units to:
 - a) pray for refugees as part of their regular prayer cycle; and
 - b) actively support organisations as they seek to support refugees being settled in the geographical area of the Auckland Diocese; and
 - c) consider making donations to organisations that seek to support refugee re-settlement.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The President made announcements.

The Diocesan Manager made announcements.

The President said Grace.

12.56pm Synod adjourned for lunch until 1:45pm.
1.54pm Synod in session, The Rt Rev’d Ross Bay presiding.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chancellor made an announcement.

The President sought the leave of Synod to allow for the correction of an invalid nomination form. *AGREED*

The President declared that nominations had closed.

MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Debate on Motion 2 resumed.

The motion was put. *AGREED*

EXTENDING THE LIVING WAGE TO ALL GOVERNMENT ACTIVITIES

MOTION 4

MOVED BY Mr David Hall
SECONDED BY Ms Dayna Townsend

“THAT this Synod,
Acknowledges the decision by the Government to extend the Living Wage to all people working for the core Public Service and calls on the Government to extend the Living Wage to all Government-owned entities and to all Government contractors.”

CARRIED

HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY AND THOSE WITH DISABILITIES

MOTION 7

MOVED BY Ms Vicky Mee
SECONDED BY Ms Lysie Samson

“THAT this Synod,
1. Expresses its concern that poor quality, expensive, insecure housing is a key component contributing to poverty and inequality in New Zealand society.
2. Calls on the New Zealand Government to prioritise an extensive building programme of Housing New Zealand accommodation units suitable for the elderly and those with disabilities.”

AMENDMENT

MOVED The Rev'd Vicki Terrell
SECONDED The Rev'd Helen Jacobi

“TO amend clause 2 by the insertion of the words “using universal design principles” following the words “accommodation units”.

AGREED

2.59pm Synod adjourned for afternoon tea

3.30pm Synod in session

The President made announcements.

ORDER OF THE DAY

ELECTIONS

The President moved that the following be appointed as scrutineers:

Clergy: The Rev'd Lucy Nguyen, Selwyn Foundation; The Rev'd Robin Fasi, Parish of North-West; The Rev'd Nicole Roper, Vaughan Park; The Rev'd Brenda Rockell, Parish of Royal Oak; The Rev'd Sandra Robertson, Diocesan School for Girls.

Laity: Ms Deborah Rolland, Titirangi LSMU; Mrs Alison Bargh, the Parish of St John's Campbells Bay; Mrs Nicola Taylor, St Augustine Mission Venture; Ms Loyola Van Rooyen Buck, Maunu LSMU; Mrs Carolyn Wellm, Space Programme Facilitator; Mr Ross Matheson, Mauku LSMU.

Co-ordinator Bridget Morrison, Diocese of Auckland staff

AGREED

Elections to the Clergy Remuneration and Retirement Committee; Diocesan Council; General Synod Te Hinota Whanui; and the Panel of Potential Diocesan Nominators

The President introduced the candidates for the Clergy Remuneration and Retirement Committee. The candidates were: Mr Colin Dale; Mr Ian Pallas.

The President invited the candidates for Diocesan Council to introduce themselves.

The lay candidates were: Mr Grant Hodgson; Mr David Howe; Mr Andrew MacLean; Mr Nathan MacDougall; Miss Jessica Newton; Ms Mary Wilson.

The clergy candidates were: The Rev'd Gendi Burwell; The Rev'd Rebecca Connolly; The Rev'd Noel Cox; The Rev'd Nyasha Gumbeze; The Rev'd Megan Means.

The President invited candidates for General Synod Te Hinota Whanui to introduce themselves.

The lay candidates were: Mr Ethan Fasi Mohenoa; Mr Fa'a Fuhia Fia; Mr David Howe; Captain Peter Lloyd; Mr Neil McEnteer; Miss Jessica Newton.

The clergy candidates were: The Rev'd Clare Barrie; The Rev'd Carole Hughes; The Rev'd Tim Meadowcroft; The Rev'd Anne Mills; The Rev'd Sarah Stevens-Cross.

The President invited candidates for the Panel of Potential Diocesan Nominators to introduce themselves.

The lay candidates were: Mr Brian Burnett; Mr Grant Hodgson; Ms Celia Finn; Mr Chris Mills; Mrs Dawn Jones.

The clergy candidates were: The Rev'd Paul Ashman; The Rev'd Richard Girdwood; The Rev'd Rhys Lewis; The Rev'd Learne McGrath; The Rev'd Grant Roberston.

The Diocesan Manager gave instructions on voting.

First Ballot for Elections

The first ballots were held for elections to the Clergy Remuneration and Retirement Committee, Diocesan Council, General Synod Te Hinota Whanui, and the Panel of Potential Diocesan Nominators.

ORDER OF THE DAY

Presentation by the Anglican Missions Board

Mr Michael Hartfield reported on the work of the Anglican Missions Board.

MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Debate on Motion 7 resumed.

The motion (as amended) was put.

AGREED

The final Motion 7 reads:

THAT this Synod,

1. Expresses its concern that poor quality, expensive, insecure housing is a key component contributing to poverty and inequality in New Zealand society.
2. Calls on the New Zealand Government to prioritise an extensive building programme of Housing New Zealand accommodation units using universal design principles suitable for the elderly and those with disabilities.

CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION

MOTION 5

MOVED BY Mr David Hall

SECONDED BY The Rev'd Jan Wallace

"THAT this Synod:

1. Endorses the motion passed by the Anglican Consultative Council (ACC) in April 2019 at its meeting in Hong Kong, calling for action on Climate Change.
2. Requests that the Diocesan Council provides resources and help to all Ministry Units in the Diocese, to develop action plans and resources for sustainable living and the reduction of greenhouse gases at individual, Ministry Unit, and diocesan levels, in response to part 4 of the ACC Motion.
3. Recommends the means to this action be the establishment of the volunteer role of "Sustainability Champion" within each Ministry Unit."

AMENDMENT

MOVED The Rev'd Edward Prebble

SECONDED The Rev'd Joan Fanshawe

"TO amend clause 2 by the insertion of the words "and regenerative" following the word "sustainable".

AGREED

AMENDMENT

MOVED Mr Ethan Fasi Mohenoa

SECONDED Ms Karen Spoelstra

"TO add a new clause 4 as follows:

4. Expresses its support for the peaceful protest action of young people and others on issues of climate justice, including the Strike 4 Climate movement and its upcoming protest march on Friday 27 September 2019."

CARRIED

AMENDMENT

MOVED Mrs Hillary Willet

SECONDED The Rev'd Clare Barrie

"TO amend clause 1 by the replacement of the word "Change" with the word "Crisis".

CARRIED

The motion (as amended) was put.

AGREED

The final Motion 5 reads:

THAT this Synod:

1. Endorses the motion passed by the Anglican Consultative Council (ACC) in April 2019 at its meeting in Hong Kong, calling for action on Climate Crisis.
2. Requests that the Diocesan Council provides resources and help to all Ministry Units in the Diocese, to develop action plans and resources for sustainable and regenerative living and the reduction of greenhouse gases at individual, Ministry Unit, and diocesan levels, in response to part 4 of the ACC Motion
3. Recommends the means to this action be the establishment of the volunteer role of "Sustainability Champion" within each Ministry Unit.
4. Expresses its support for the peaceful protest action of young people and others on issues of climate justice, including the Strike 4 Climate movement and its upcoming protest march on Friday 27 September 2019.

CLOSING PRAYERS were led by the Synod Chaplain.

ADJOURNMENT

The President declared Synod adjourned at 5.11pm.

THIRD DAY - SATURDAY 7 SEPTEMBER 2019

SYNOD IN SESSION at 8.31am, The Rt Rev'd Ross Bay presiding.

MORNING PRAYERS

Morning Prayers were led by the Synod Chaplain.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were recorded in the attendance registers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The President announced that the following have been elected as Diocesan Nominators:

Clergy: The Rev'd Paul Ashman, Parish of Panmure; The Rev'd Rhys Lewis, Parish of One Tree Hill; The Rev'd Learne McGrath, the Parish of North West Anglican; The Rev'd Grant Robertson, the Parish of Milford.

Laity: Mr Brian Burnett, the Parish of Northern Wairoa; Ms Celia Finn, the Parish of St Aidan's Remuera; Mr Chris Mills, Holy Trinity Cathedral; Ms Dawn Jones, Holy Trinity Cathedral.

The President announced that the following have been elected as Diocesan representatives to General Synod Te Hinota Whanui:

Clergy: The Rev'd Clare Barrie, the Parish of St Luke Mt Albert; The Ven. Carole Hughes, Archdeacon for the Northern Region; The Rev'd Tim Meadowcroft, the Parish of Henderson.

Laity: Mr Ethan Fasi Mohenoa, Youth Representative; Mr David Howe, the Parish of St Paul Symonds Street; Captain Peter Lloyd, the Parish of Whangaparoa; Miss Jessica Newton, St Augustine Mission Venture.

The President announced that the following have been elected to the Clergy Remuneration and Retirement Committee: Mr Colin Dale, the Parish of St Luke Mt Albert; Mr Ian Pallas, the Parish of St Matthew-in-the-City.

The President announced that the following have been elected to Diocesan Council:

Clergy: The Rev'd Rebecca Connolly, the Parish of North West Anglican; The Rev'd Nyasha Gumbeze, the Parish of Henderson; The Rev'd Megan Means, LSM Ministry Enabler.

Laity: Mr David Howe, the Parish of St Paul Symonds Street; Mr Nathan MacDougall, the Parish of St Margaret Hillsborough; Miss Jessica Newton, St Augustine Mission Venture.

ORDER OF THE DAY

The Ven. Carole Hughes presiding

Presentation on Title D by the Chancellor

The Chancellor spoke on work being done by General Synod to update and revise Title D of the Canons. Synod discussed the proposals in working groups.

9.12am Synod in conference
10.12am Synod in session, The Rt Rev'd Ross Bay presiding.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Diocesan Manager made some announcements.

QUESTIONS

Mr Bernard Chivers asked two questions.

MOTIONS SOUGHT TO BE INTRODUCED

The Rev'd Fraser McDermott sought leave to introduce a motion without notice under Standing Order 14(b):

"In the light of the New Zealand Government's review of the Abortion Bill and the End of Life Choice Bill, in this current parliament, and to ensure public debate that this Synod:

- a) affirms its belief in the sanctity of all human life;
- b) acknowledges the complex pastoral matters surrounding all those affected by the beginning and ending of life and encourages more resources to be released to minister effectively and sensitively;
- c) affirms its commitment to the care and protection of all such lives, including both those who are able to speak for themselves, and also those who are vulnerable and cannot do so;
- d) makes the will of this Synod regarding these bills be made known to the Government and its officers;
- e) invites General Synod to affirm our corporate commitment to protecting all human life."

PASSAGE OF THE BILLS

Further consideration on Bill 2.

10.20am Synod in committee
10.22am Synod in session

The President moved that Bills 1, 2, 3, 4 having been approved in detail now pass and become statute.

AGREED

10.22am Synod adjourned for Morning Tea.
10.55am Synod in session

ORDER OF THE DAY

Mission and Ministry presentation

Ms Karen Spoelstra and Mrs Jacolize Becker presented on the work of the Mission & Ministry Resource Team.

MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

GRIEF AND LOSS SUPPORT SERVICES

MOTION 3

MOVED BY Ms Megan Bowden
SECONDED BY The Rev'd Jan Wallace

"THAT this Synod,

1. Requests the Diocesan Council to actively promote the expansion of "Seasons for Growth" programmes.
2. Challenges Ministry Units or clusters of Ministry Units to seek ways through which "Seasons for Growth" programmes can be delivered in their local communities."

AGREED

QUESTIONS

The President answered the questions of Mr Bernard Chivers.

MOTIONS SOUGHT TO BE INTRODUCED WITHOUT NOTICE

The President granted leave to The Rev'd Fraser McDermott to introduce an amended motion, now Motion 9.

ORDER OF THE DAY

General Debate

The President moved that Synod receive the Reports.

Mr Stephen Anderson spoke to the report of the City Mission.

Mr Peter Lineham spoke to the Statistical Report.

Mr Grant Hodgson spoke to the Statistical Report.

The Rev'd Sarah Stevens-Cross spoke to the Bishop's Charge regarding the closure of St James' Orakei.

Ms Elizabeth Caughey spoke to the report of PARS Inc.

AGREED

MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

DIOCESAN ZERO CARBON PLAN

MOTION 6

MOVED BY Mr John Allen
SECONDED BY Ms Vicky Mee

"THAT this Synod,

1. Notes the declaration by Auckland Council of a Climate Emergency;
2. Recognises the beneficial impacts of earlier Diocesan Climate Actions around Fossil Fuel Divestment and Carbon Offsetting, and the urgency of taking immediate action on the drivers, as well as the consequences of global warming.
3. Requests the Diocesan Council to prepare a Zero Carbon Plan by 31 March 2020 to implement the commitment set out in Standing Resolution 50, also noting related areas such as Global Warming Mitigation and Climate Change Adaptation;

4. Requests opportunities are provided for informed input to be made from across the Diocese as part of the preparation of this Plan.”

AMENDMENT

MOVED The Rev'd Jan Wallace

SECONDED Mr David Hall

“TO amend and replace clause 3 as follows:

3. Requests the Diocesan Council supports and funds the preparation of a Zero Carbon Plan by 31 March 2010 to implement the commitment set out in Standing Resolution 50; achieved by collaboration between the Anglican Climate Action Network Auckland, the Social Justice Group, ADJUST, and the sustainability field worker.”

The President sought leave to introduce the amended clause.

CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The President acknowledged the presence of The Rt Rev'd Jim White and The Rt Rev'd Kito Pikaahu.

The Rt Rev'd Jim White announced his retirement as Assistant Bishop due to health considerations.

Bishop Ross and Bishop Kito led Synod in prayer for Bishop Jim.

Bishop Jim said Grace.

Synod acknowledged Bishop Jim with a standing ovation.

1.01pm Synod was adjourned for lunch until 1:50pm.

1.50pm Synod in session, The Rt Rev'd Ross Bay presiding.

Bishop Ross addressed Synod in relation to the announcement made by Bishop Jim.

MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Debate on Motion 6 resumed.

The motion was put.

CARRIED

The final Motion 6 reads:

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CALCULATION OF QUOTA

MOTION 8

MOVED BY Mr Graham Miller
SECONDED BY The Rev'd Helen Jacobi

“THAT this Synod,

Asks Diocesan Council to amend its policy on Quota calculation in the following ways:

1. That where a Ministry Unit charges fees, or receives income (including donations and grants), for a specific defined Ministry or Mission activity or project, any "costs and expenses directly incurred" by that activity or project, shall be an allowable deduction for the purposes of calculating the Quota then payable by that Ministry Unit. The amount of any such deduction allowable under this amendment shall not exceed the income received for that activity or project.
2. That "costs and expenses directly incurred" shall be defined as those expenses which are attributable directly to that activity or project, are necessarily incurred in order to receive the relevant income, and would not be incurred if the activity or project did not take place. For the purposes of this amendment, the proportionate allocation of indirect and overhead expenses is not included in this definition.”

CARRIED

THE WHOLE OF LIFE

MOTION 9

MOVED BY The Rev'd Fraser McDermott
SECONDED BY Mrs Katy Bexley

“In the light of the New Zealand Government’s review of the Abortion Bill, and the End of Life Choice Bill, in this current parliament, and its ensuing public debate, that this Synod:

1. believes that all life is God-given and is not for humans to determine its premature ending;
2. expresses its concern and commitment to the care and protection of all those affected, including both those who are able to speak for themselves, and also for those who are vulnerable and cannot do so;
3. as a matter of urgency makes the will of this Synod regarding these Bills be made known to Government, members of Parliament, and its officers;
4. invites General Synod to affirm our corporate commitment to the protection of all human life.”

Following debate and without clear agreement on the text of the motion, the President offered some advice about possible mechanisms to provide a resolution.

Without prejudice to any future motions, the mover and seconder sought leave to withdraw. The President advised that, based on the views he had heard expressed in the debate, he would write to the Government.

CARRIED

ORDER OF THE DAY

MOTION OF THANKS

MOVED BY Miss Mia Hawes
SECONDED BY Ms Karen Spoelstra

“That this Synod:
Acknowledges with heartfelt thanks the contribution of all those who have made this 2019
Diocesan Synod possible.”

AGREED WITH ACCLAMATION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Diocesan Manager made an announcement.

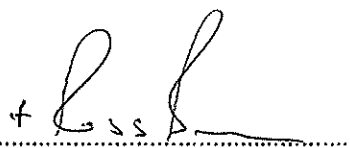
CLOSING PRAYERS

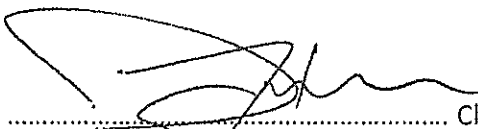
Closing prayers were led by the Synod Chaplain.

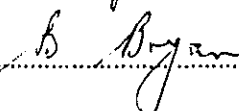
Bishop Ross gave the blessing.

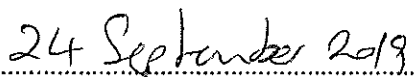
CONCLUSION

The President declared the First Session of the 56th Synod concluded at 3.28pm.
The Second Session of the 56th Synod will commence at 6.30pm on Thursday 3 September
2020.


..... President


..... Clerical Secretary


..... Lay Secretary


..... Date