

DIOCESAN COUNCIL

Summary of Meeting

*held on Thursday, 25 June 2020 at 4pm
chaired by The Right Rev'd Ross Bay*

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 a prayer.

General Business

Minutes of 28 May 2020 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 an update of the Bishop's activities.

Diocesan Manager and Property Manager Reports

The Diocesan Manager provided a verbal update of Diocesan office activities.

The Property Manager's Report was received.

Finance Reports

Diocesan Council approved the Finance Report for May 2020.

Quota Budget 2021

Diocesan Council agreed to set the Quota Budget for 2021 at an increase of 2% on the 2020 budget.

Ministry Unit Matters

Northwest Anglican – Building Project Funding

A further grant was made from the Diocesan Development Fund towards the Northwest Anglican building project which will allow building to commence.

Other Business

Housing Allowance and Stipend – Annual Reviews

The Clergy Remuneration and Retirement Committee to (i) manage clergy remuneration reviews including stipend, housing, levies and mileage; (ii) consider the proposed timing change of the stipend and housing allowance reviews, ability to meet this change for 2020 and what consultation with Ministry Units may be required; and (iii) run a stipend review process, including using agreed external agencies, and provide Diocesan Council with an updated remuneration package (stipend and housing) to approve no later than September each year so that Ministry Units can be informed in October as part of the contributions process managed by the Diocesan office.

King's College – Appeal to the Judicial Committee

An appeal to the Judicial Committee has been made questioning the use of delegated powers by Diocesan Council. It was agreed that Bishop Ross be authorised to respond on behalf of Diocesan Council setting out the basis on which Diocesan Council considers it has followed correct process and acted within its powers.

Tikanga Pakeha Conference Sub-groups - Appointments

Diocesan Council agreed the following re-appointments to Tikāngā Pakeha Conference Sub-groups – The Rev'd Nyasha Gumbeze (Tikāngā Pakeha Ecumenical Group), The Rev'd Craig Harris (Overseas Mission – Tikāngā Pakeha) and The Rev'd Clare Barrie (Tikāngā Pakeha Liturgical Working Group).

Congratulations

Bishop Ross congratulated The Rev'd Nyasha Gumbeze for achieving her DMin.

Working Group Updates

Diocesan Health and Safety

The Health and Safety Report was received.

Diocesan Development Fund

The Advisory Group reported that four sites had been visited during the day and a meeting with one other had taken place during the week. A written report is to be prepared for the Diocesan Council Meeting in July.

Disability Community Working Group

The Disability Community Working Group had asked The Rev'd Bryan Haggitt what Diocesan Council were planning to do with results from survey. They were wanting to raise finance and find new members who would fundraise as their scope was to support the Community Chaplain.

Quota Calculation Working Group

The Quota Calculation Working Group met in March 2020 to discuss the quota calculation and specifically address Synod Motion 8. Diocesan Council to provide final approval of all quota adjustment applications.

Diocesan Mission & Ministry Resource Team Report

The Report was received.

Closing

The meeting closed at 6.19pm with a prayer.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 30 July 2020 commencing at 4pm.