

DIOCESAN COUNCIL

Summary of Meeting

*held on Thursday, 29 October 2020 at 4pm at Neligan House, Parnell
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.

General Business

Minutes of 22 September 2020 were adopted as a true and correct record.
The schedule of outstanding matters was discussed and updated.

Bishop's Matters

Bishop Ross provided a verbal 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 September 2020.

GST Registration for Ministry Units

Diocesan Council agreed to engage KPMG to provide an initial advisory report to on continuation of GST registration and any other GST matters of current concern in relation to ministry units.

Auditor Appointment – Planning for Tender 2021

Proposals would be presented to Diocesan Council in August 2021.

Draft Budget 2021

A draft budget will be presented at the November 2020 meeting. Diocesan Council will finalise the budget at their meeting in January 2021.

Quota Relief Applications 2021

Diocesan Council considered recommendations from the Quota Relief Advisory Group for Quota Relief applications 2021. All recommendations were approved.

Ministry Unit Matters

St Luke's, Mt Albert Update - Diocesan Development Fund

DDF Advisory Group representatives met with St Luke's Mt Albert to discuss their project further. It was agreed that the Fund be granted to enable the first stage of the project to start.

Holy Trinity, Devonport - Diocesan Development Fund Loan

Holy Trinity, Devonport asked that the DDF Advisory Group reconsider the restriction on the provision of the loan. The DDF Advisory Group are supportive of this request and wish to amend their recommendation to Diocesan Council. This request was approved.

Holy Trinity, Ōtāhuhu - Access to funds

Holy Trinity, Ōtāhuhu requested to access funds to purchase furniture for the hall. This request was approved conditional on GST advice being received.

Parish of Clevedon – Access to funds

Clevedon Parish requested the use of their investment funds to pay their insurance bill. This request was approved.

St Chad's, Huapai - Mission District

On the 25th October 2020 St Chad's held a Special General Meeting who unanimously agreed to request Diocesan Council's permission to change from an LSMU to a Mission District. This request was approved.

St Paul, Milford – Interest Free Loan

St Paul, Milford requested to accept an unsecured interest free on the understanding that there will be a formal loan agreement entered into and the loan will be repaid in full within 5-years. This request was approved.

Other Business

Culture Conduct

The Finance, Risk and Audit Committee noted there was no formal code of conduct that provided clear standards and expectations for persons representing the Diocese. Diocesan Council agreed the Health and Safety Working Group be the best group to proceed with this.

Te Ohu Whakawhanaunga - Leaders Forum

Diocesan Council agreed Mr Grant Hodgson and The Rev'd Gendi Burwell represent Diocesan Council to attend the Leaders Forum in December.

Auckland Anglican Response to the Climate Crisis - Proposal to become an Eco-Diocese

The Diocesan Sustainability Fieldworker proposed that the Anglican Diocese of Auckland become an Eco-Diocese as part of the A Rocha Eco Church project. This request was approved.

Selwyn Foundation Board - Membership appointment

Diocesan Council appointed Ms Helen Melrose to seat No. 5 and Ms Jan Nichols to seat No. 7 as trustees to the Selwyn Foundation Board. Seats No. 6 and 10 be kept vacant at this time.

Hostel of the Holy Name Advisory Board - Membership appointment

Diocesan Council appointed Ms Jasmine Taylor to the Hostel of the Holy Name Advisory Board effective October 2020.

Disability Community Chaplain's (DCC) Working Group - Chair appointment

Diocesan Council agreed to the appointment of The Rev'd Helen Jacobi to Chair of the Disability Community Chaplain's Working Group.

General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui - Membership appointment

The Rev'd Tim Medowcroft has resigned from General Synod, The Chair asked that the Diocesan Council Clergy Members make a recommendation at the November 2020 meeting.

Space Programme – Request for approval to submit funding application

Auckland Anglican Space requested the support of Diocesan Council to make a consolidated application to the Lottery Community fund in the December 2020 funding round. This request was approved.

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 6.20pm with a prayer.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 26 November 2020 commencing at 4pm.