

DIOCESAN COUNCIL

Summary of Meeting

held on Thursday 21st March 2024 at 4:00pm Neligan House Boardroom and Zoom chaired by The Ven. Carole Hughes (Vicar-General)

Membership

A quorum for all houses was present. 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 devotion.

General Business

Minutes of 2nd March 2024 were adopted as a true and correct record. The schedule of outstanding matters was discussed and updated.

Diocesan Manager and Property Manager Reports

The Diocesan Manager's Report of Diocesan Office activities was received.

The Property Manager's Report was received.

Finance, Risk and Audit Committee

Diocesan Council received the Finance, Risk and Audit report for January 2024.

Ministry Unit Matters

Parish of Birkdale-Beachhaven – Site development

The Property Evaluation Working Group will visit the Cedar Centre site to advise on development opportunities.

Parish of Mt Albert – Request for support

A request was received from the Parish of Mt Albert to assist temporary cashflow relief for the Hall building project at 704 New North Road.

This request was approved in part.

Parish of Avondale – Extension to grant conditions

A request was received from the Parish of Avondale to extend the due date of the conditions on the Diocesan Development Fund grant towards the Hall renovation project This request was approved.

Parish of Avondale

A request was received from the Parish of Avondale to appoint Craig Pauling of Waitakere Architects to apply for council consents for the hall refurbishment project. This request was supported and recommended to the General Trust Board.

Mission District of Mangere East – Site Access

A request was received from the Mission District of Mangere East to agree in principle to the Parish entering an agreement with the owners of the neighbouring site regarding access to an easement on the church grounds.

This request was approved.

Parish of Clendon – Access to Funds

A request was received from the Parish of Clendon to utilise the sale proceeds of a recent property sale for operational purposes.

This request was declined, with financial planning assistance recommended and representatives of Diocesan Council to meet with the Vestry.

Mission District of Whangārei – Access to Funds

The Mission District of Whangārei requested the use of their investment funds to assist with costs of renovations to the vicarage.

This request was approved.

Other Business

Sustainability Coordinator – Don't Subsidise Pollution Campaign

A request was received from the diocesan Sustainability Coordinator for the Bishop and Diocesan Council to support the 'Don't Subsidise Pollution' campaign as run by Aotearoa Common Grace. This request was approved.

Property Evaluation Working Group

Mr David Howe was appointed to the Property Evaluation Working Group.

Ministry Unit Property Working Group (Synod Motion 6, 2022)

The Rev'd Rebecca Conolly and Mr James Scarr were appointed to the Ministry Unit Property Working Group.

Working Group Updates

Diocesan Health and Safety Working Group Report

The Health and Safety Report was received. The revised and updated Anti-Bullying, Harassment, and Discrimination policy was approved.

Synod Review Working Group (Synod Motion 1, 2022)

An update was given on the progress of the work of the Group towards the aims of the synod motion.

Ministry Unit Property Working Group (Synod Motion 6, 2022)

An update was given on the progress of the work of the Group towards the aims of the synod motion.

Digital Church Working Group

Ms Anne Walsh was appointed as convenor of the Digital Church Working Group.

Dilworth Inquiry Working Group

An update was given on the progress of the work of the Group towards the review of the recommendations in the Dilworth Report.

Information Papers and Correspondence

Information papers and correspondence were received.

Closing

The meeting closed at 4:08pm. The next meeting will be held on 2nd May 2024.