

DIOCESAN COUNCIL

Summary of Meeting

held on Thursday 27th June 2024 at 4:00pm Neligan House Boardroom and Zoom

Chaired by The Right Rev'd Ross Bay (Bishop of Auckland)

Membership

A quorum for all houses was present. The Diocesan Manager and Minute Secretary were also present. Archdeacon Michael Berry was present for part of the meeting. Members were asked to disclose any interests in relation to agenda items.

Opening

The meeting opened with a devotion.

General Business

Minutes of 30th May 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.

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Finance, Risk and Audit Committee

Diocesan Council received the Finance, Risk and Audit report for May 2024. The Auditor Appointment Policy was approved for a further three years. The 2025 Quota Budget was approved.

Ministry Unit Matters

Parish of Mt Albert – Request to apply for an overdraft

A request was received from the Parish of Mt Albert to apply for a bank overdraft to fund the final stages of the building project, being a new hospitality and administration building at St Lukes, 704 New North Road, Mt Albert.

This request was approved in principle.

Whangarei Mission District - Scheme of Reconstruction

The draft Report of the Whangārei Commission was discussed and final recommendations were agreed by Diocesan Council.

Other Business

Submissions on the Dilworth Independent Inquiry and Hansen Reports

Diocesan Council received and discussed a submission on the Dilworth Independent Inquiry and Hansen Reports and agreed that no further action will be taken. The Dilworth Inquiry Report Working Group's work is continuing.

Audit 2023 - New Controlled Entity

The Holy Trinity Cathedral Trust for Ministry Music and Mission was added as a controlled entity in the diocesan consolidated accounts.

Child Protection Policy

The draft Child Protection Policy was approved for consultation with ministry units.

Anti-bullying, Harassment, and Discrimination Policy

The Anti-bullying, Harassment, and Discrimination Policy was adopted and approved for distribution to ministry units.

Police Vetting Policy

The Police Vetting Policy was reviewed and re-adopted with no changes, and was assigned to the Health and Safety Working Group for management of the policy.

Working Group Updates

Diocesan Health and Safety Working Group Report

The Health and Safety Report was received.

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.

Dilworth Inquiry Working Group

An update was given on the progress of the work of the Group towards Recommendation 19 of the Dilworth Inquiry Report.

Property Evaluation Working Group

An update was given on the recent work of the Group.

Tikanga Partnership Commission

The upcoming hui with Tai Tokerau was noted.

Information Papers and Correspondence

Information papers and correspondence were received.

Closing

The meeting closed at 6:42pm. The next meeting will be held on 25th July 2024.