

DIOCESAN COUNCIL

Summary of Meeting

held on Thursday 31st October 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. 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 prayer.

General Business

Minutes of 26th September 2024 were adopted as a true and correct record. The schedule of outstanding matters was discussed and updated.

Diocesan Reports

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

Finance, Risk and Audit Committee

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

The Finance Risk and Audit Committee Terms of Reference were updated.

The Statement of Investment Policies and Objectives was updated.

The FRAC Working Group for Insurance was established and members were appointed.

Ministry Unit Matters

Parish of Birkenhead – Scheme of Reconstruction

Diocesan Council received the verbal (interim) report of the Commission for the Scheme of Reconstruction for the Parish of Birkenhead.

Parish of St Matthew Auckland Central – Access to Funds

A request was received from the Parish to access funds held in their investments for the purposes of installing a new electrical board.

This request was approved.

Parish of Hillsborough - Easement

A request was received from the Parish to agree 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 to access funds held in investments to be reimbursed for repairs and maintenance to rental properties.

This request was approved.

Other Business

Post Synod Actions 2024

Diocesan Council discussed actions required by motions passed at Synod 2024.

Covenant for Ministry and Governance - Local Shared Ministry

Diocesan Council approved the Covenant for Ministry and Governance, as per the new Parish Statute (2024) coming into effect 1 January 2025.

Anglican Trusts Board - Appointments

Mr Grant Graham, the Rev'd Vicki Sykes, Mr Geoffrey Laurence, and Mr David Belcher were appointed to the Anglican Trusts Board for a further term.

Vaughan Park Governance Board - Appointment

Ms Anne Walsh was appointed to the Vaughan Park Governance Board as the Diocesan Council representative.

Diocesan Committee for Overseas Mission – Appointments

Diocesan Council appointed the Rev'd Daniel Sahayam and Ms Filisi Beswick to the Committee for Overseas Mission.

Glenfield Church Property – Lease

The commercial lease renewal for the property at 470 Glenfield Road was accepted and referred to the General Trust Board.

Working Group Updates

Diocesan Health and Safety Working Group Report

There was no meeting of the Health and Safety Working Group in September.

The Rev'd Liz Martin was appointed as the Diocesan Council representative to the Health & Safety Working Group.

Information Papers and Correspondence

Information papers and correspondence were received.

Closing

The meeting closed at 7:15pm. The next meeting will be held on 28th November 2024.