

# **DIOCESAN COUNCIL**

# Summary of Meeting

held on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2025 at 4:00pm Via Zoom

# Chaired by The Rt. Rev'd Ross Bay (Bishop of Auckland)

### Membership

A quorum for all houses was present. The Diocesan Manager and Minute Secretary were also present, as were members of the Cathedral District Resources Board 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 28<sup>th</sup> November 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 November 2024.

The 2025 Budget was approved.

The Terms of Reference for the Diocesan Insurance Working Group were approved.

# **Ministry Unit Matters**

### Parish of Birkenhead – Scheme of Reconstruction

Diocesan Council recorded the decision made by circulation on the Scheme of Reconstruction for the Parish of Birkenhead.

#### **Asian Mission District**

Diocesan Council assented that the Asian Mission District can operate under the new Parish Statute (2024) as a Mission Venture and be renamed as Asian Mission Venture.

#### Parish of Papatoetoe – ATWC Childcare Centre Lease

A request was received from the Parish of Papatoetoe to allow the ground lease to Anglican Trust for Women and Children to be assigned to Pacific Inland Presbyterian Church for the purposes of operating an Early childhood education facility at 5a Landscape Rd, Papatoetoe.

This request was support and referred to the General Trust Board.

#### 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 St Paul Auckland Central - AGM Change of Date

The Parish of St Paul Auckland Central requested permission from Diocesan Council to hold their AGM in May annually and for subsequent years, beginning in 2025. This request was approved.

# **Other Business**

#### Wellsford Church Site – Albertland Museum

A request was received from the neighbouring Albertland Museum with regard to the future of the church site. Diocesan Council is yet to determine the future strategy for worship and ministry in Wellsford so will continue to hold the property until then.

#### St Mary's Homes Trust - Distribution 2025

The annual distribution for 2025 from the St Mary's Home Trust was made in equal parts to Te Whare Ruruhau O Meri and Anglican Trust for Women and Children (ATWC).

#### Purewa Cemetery Trust Board – Trustee Appointments

The Rev'd Kerry Davis was appointed to the Purewa Cemetery Trust Board until 31 December 2021. Archdeacon Michael Berry, Mrs Christine Hart and Mr Purvan Balakrishnan were appointed to the Board effective 1 January 2025 for a term of three years. Mr Daniel Scott was reappointed for a further term of three years and Ms Erica Jenkin was reappointed for a four-year term also effective 1 January 2025.

#### **Dilworth Joint Working Group**

Mr Tony Randerson and Ms Angela Dalton were appointed to the Dilworth Joint Working Group to work with the Dilworth Trust Board on the recommendations of the Dilworth Independent Inquiry Report pertaining to the Diocese of Auckland.

# **Working Group Updates**

#### **Diocesan Health and Safety Working Group Report**

Diocesan Council received the report of the Health and Safety Working Group.

# **Information Papers and Correspondence**

Information papers and correspondence were received.

#### Closing

The meeting closed at 6:42pm. The next meeting will be held on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2025.