

## **DIOCESAN COUNCIL**

# Summary of Meeting

held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at 4:00pm Neligan House Boardroom, Parnell

## 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 Te Ohu Whakawhanaunga Tāmaki Makaurau for part of the meeting to present to Diocesan Council. Members were asked to disclose any interests in relation to agenda items.

#### **Opening**

The meeting opened with a devotion.

## **General Business**

Minutes of 27<sup>th</sup> February 2025 were adopted as a true and correct record. The schedule of outstanding matters was discussed and updated.

#### **Diocesan Reports**

Bishop Ross reported on activities over the past month.

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

Diocesan Council received the report of the Health and Safety Advisory Committee and appointed Mr Willie Petrie as a lay member to the Committee.

## Finance, Risk and Audit Committee

Diocesan Council received the financial report for February 2025.

## **Ministry Unit Matters**

## Parish of Howick - Lease

A request was received from the Parish of Howick to lease the top floor of the Community Centre at 30-32 Cook Street, Howick.

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

## Parish of Royal Oak – Stipend Support

An application for stipend support was received from the Parish of Royal Oak for relief ministry while the Rev'd Brenda Rockell is on leave during June and July 2025.

This request was approved.

## Parish of St Matthew Auckland Central – Access to Funds

A request was received from the Parish of St Matthew Auckland Central to access funds held in investments for refurbishment work to the Crypt at the St Matthew church building.

This request was approved.

## **Other Business**

## Friendship House Trust Board - Variation to Deed

Diocesan Council provided feedback on the draft Variation to the Trust Deed for the Friendship House Trust Board.

#### **Parish Boundaries**

Diocesan Council approved the document 'Parish Boundaries (2025)'as an official record of parish boundaries and names.

## **Licensed Ministry Suite of Policies – Clergy Appointments**

The suite of Licensed Ministry policy documents (Clergy Appointments) were reviewed, amended and adopted for immediate use.

## **Working Group Updates**

### **Dilworth Joint Working Group**

Diocesan Council received the report of the Dilworth Joint Working Group.

## **Synod Review Working Group**

Diocesan Council received the report of the Synod Review Working Group.

#### **Digital Church Working Group**

Diocesan Council received the report of the Digital Working Group.

## **Insurance Working Group**

Diocesan Council received the report of the Insurance Working Group.

## **Information Papers and Correspondence**

Information papers and correspondence were received.

## Closing

The meeting closed at 6:04pm. The next meeting will be held on 1st May 2025.