

DIOCESAN COUNCIL

Summary of Meeting

held on Thursday 29th May 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. Members were asked to disclose any interests in relation to agenda items.

Opening

The meeting opened with a devotion.

General Business

Minutes of 1st May 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.

Finance, Risk and Audit Committee

Diocesan Council received the financial report for March 2025.

Parish Matters

Northwest Anglican – Investment

A request was received from Northwest Anglican to invest bequest funds.

This request was approved, with conditions.

Parish of Birkenhead - R&M to rental property

Diocesan Council approved expenditure to effect remedial works to the Parish of Birkenhead's rental property to bring it to Healthy Homes Standard in time for the 1 July 2025 deadline.

Parish of Torbay - Replant of St Mary's by the Sea

A request was received from the Parish of Torbay to replant St Mary's by the Sea church to a new location.

This request was supported in principle and work with the parish will be ongoing.

Parish of Kaitaia - Scheme of Reconstruction

Diocesan Council agreed that a Commission be formed that will undertake a Scheme of Reconstruction for the Parish of Kaitaia.

Other Business

Membership

On the resignation of Mr David Howe, Dr Kay Hawk was appointed as a lay member to Diocesan Council until Synod 2025.

De-escalation Training

Following the success of the 2024 workshops, Diocesan Council approved further funding for two additional de-escalation training workshops for parishes in 2025.

Children and Young Persons Safeguarding Policy

Diocesan Council adopted the Children and Young Persons Safeguarding Policy for implementation in the Diocese.

Information Papers and Correspondence

Information papers and correspondence were received.

Closing

The meeting closed at 6:41pm. The next meeting will be held on 26th June 2025.