



Anglican Diocese of Auckland

DIOCESAN COUNCIL

Summary of Meeting

*held on Thursday 30th July 2026 at 4:00pm
via Neligan House Boardroom and Zoom*

Chaired by The Right Reverend Ross Bay (Bishop of Auckland)

Membership

A quorum for all houses was present. The Diocesan Manager, Minute Secretary, and The Vicar General (The Ven. Carole Hughes) were also present.

Members were asked to disclose any interests in relation to agenda items.

Opening

The meeting opened with a devotion.

Minutes

Minutes of 25th June 2026 were adopted as a true and correct record.

The schedule of outstanding matters was discussed and updated.

Diocesan Reports

The Bishop's report on activities over the past month was received.

The Diocesan Manager's Report was received.

Finance, Risk and Audit Committee

The Finance Risk and Audit Committee Report was received.

The Rev'd Grant Robertson (outgoing DC member and FRAC Chair) was appointed as a non-Diocesan Council member of FRAC from September 2026.

The Operating Reserves Fund Policy was reviewed and approved.

The 2025 Annual Report and General Purpose Financial Report were accepted and signed.

Health, Safety, and Wellbeing Advisory Committee

The Report of the Health, Safety and Wellbeing Advisory Committee was received.

The Police Vetting Policy was reviewed and approved.

Clergy Remuneration and Retirement Committee

The Clergy Remuneration and Retirement Committee Report was received.

Mr Stephen Stewart was appointed as a member for a term.

Parish Matters

Parish SGM – Procedural Protest

A protest under Clause 129 of the Parish Statute was received in relation to a parish SGM. This protest is being investigated.

Parish of St Matthew Auckland Central – Access to Funds

The Parish requested the use of the returns on their invested funds for operational expenditure. This request was approved.

Parish of Flatbush – Trust Deed and Management Agreement

A request was received from the Parish to approve a Charitable Trust Deed and Management Agreement. Diocesan Council requested changes to both documents be made before resubmission for consideration.

Co-operating Parish of Bucklands Beach – Dissolution

Diocesan Council agreed that the property at 245 Bucklands Beach Road be sold following dissolution of the co-operating venture and church.

Other Business**Quota 2027**

Quota exceptions were approved for three parishes. Applications from two parishes were declined due to not meeting the criteria.

Information Papers and Correspondence

Information papers and correspondence were received.

The meeting closed at 6:12pm. The next meeting will be held on 27th August 2026.