

DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND
Diocesan Council

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT 6:00PM
ON THURSDAY, 25th JUNE 2015 AT ST JOHN'S COLLEGE.

CONFIDENTIAL

CHAIRPERSON: The Right Reverend Ross Bay

7842.	<p><u>PRESENT</u></p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"><tr><td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;">The Right Rev. Ross Bay The Right Rev. Jim White The Rev. Lucy Nguyen The Rev. Clare Barrie The Rev. Richard Bonifant The Rev. Sarah Stevens-Cross The Rev. Nyasha Gumbeze Canon Dr Briar Peat</td><td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;">Mrs Jackie Addis Mr Edward Swift Mrs Karen Spoelstra Mr Graham Miller Mrs Megan Bowden Mrs Deborah Rolland Mr Graham Jones</td></tr></table> <p><u>In Attendance:</u> Mr Kevin Third (Diocesan Manager) Miss Lynne Usher (Clergy & Ministry Administrator)</p>	The Right Rev. Ross Bay The Right Rev. Jim White The Rev. Lucy Nguyen The Rev. Clare Barrie The Rev. Richard Bonifant The Rev. Sarah Stevens-Cross The Rev. Nyasha Gumbeze Canon Dr Briar Peat	Mrs Jackie Addis Mr Edward Swift Mrs Karen Spoelstra Mr Graham Miller Mrs Megan Bowden Mrs Deborah Rolland Mr Graham Jones
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7843.	<p><u>APOLOGIES</u></p> <p>The Rev. Sarah Moss</p>		
7844.	<p><u>OPENING DEVOTIONS</u></p> <p>The Rev. Sarah Stevens-Cross.</p> <p>Bishop Ross welcomed the laity to St John's College.</p>		
7845.	<p><u>DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST</u></p> <p>There were no disclosures of interest.</p> <p>The Rev. Sarah Stevens-Cross recorded an amendment to Appendix A and these changes will reflect in the Schedule of Disclosures of Interest for the July meeting.</p>		
7846.	<p><u>SCHEDULE OF BUSINESS</u></p> <p>Additional :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• to set aside a date to establish a process to govern the use of development funds;• to appoint members to look at Title D and Ministry policy outlines – Kevin Third, Richard Bonifant and Karen Spoelstra.		

7847.	<p><u>MINUTES</u></p> <p>It was MOVED by Mr Graham Miller and SECONDED by Ms Megan Bowden <i>“THAT the Minutes of the meeting held on 28th May 2015, with the amendment below, be confirmed as a correct record.</i></p> <p>Amended 7840 – Duplicate entry concerning the June meeting change of venue removed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">AGREED</p>
7848.	<p><u>MATTERS ARISING NOT DEALT WITH ELSEWHERE</u></p> <p><u>Consolidated Accounting</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A project manager has been appointed by Trust Management to oversee and manage this process. • Roughly 30% of parishes are already a part of the project or have registered for it. • General feedback has been positive although there have been some concerns about invoicing timeframes. <p>Some concerns from the LSMU’s about communications and the speed of communications with the Diocesan Office.</p> <p>Resource sharing meeting with te Manawa o te Wheke Trust Board will be on 25th August 2015. The Diocesan Manager will co-ordinate this.</p> <p>An update was given on the Mission and Ministry team. A written report was requested.</p>
7849.	<p><u>BISHOPS’ MATTERS</u></p> <p>Bishop Ross</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will be on Sabbatical next Wednesday, 1st July until 16th August • The process of Discernment is completed. A very small group to be a part of the Diocesan Training Programme. • Thanked all those who participated in his 360-degree performance appraisal. • Is working on a new system of parish review to work alongside the clergy review. • The Milford and Whangarei appointment processes are underway and three more vacancies will be notified soon. • Informed the meeting of Phil Clark’s state of health. • Informed the meeting of the passing of David Guthrie. • Bob Newman celebrated the 60-year anniversary of his ordination as a priest. • Jim and Molly Pascoe of Mangawhai have left for Nelson. • Wayne Thornton is the new regional priest for Mangawhai and Wellsford. • Johnathan Grant inducted as vicar at St Paul’s, Symonds Street. • Jacolize Becker appointed as Children and Families Fieldworker <p>Bishop Jim</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has been away studying at the University of the South in Tennessee. • Completed a report on Baptism and Confirmation.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion 30 still on-going • Thanked Jacky Sewell for her work in the Diocese. She is leaving for the United Kingdom.
7850.	<p><u>MONTHLY FINANCIALS STATEMENTS</u></p> <p>An amended set of reports was circulated.</p> <p>Trust Management Ltd have made good progress on rectifying previous coding anomalies.</p> <p>Members will consider establishing a finance and audit committee at the first meeting following synod</p> <p>The Council recorded its gratitude for more regular financial reporting.</p>
7851.	<p><u>AUDIT OF 2013 ANNUAL ACCOUNTS</u></p> <p>The final audit report of the 2013 accounts auditors was tabled. Due to the circumstances around the secretariat restructure, the auditors have only recently completed this report.</p>
7852.	<p><u>GENERAL SYNOD STATUTES FOR DIOCESAN ASSENT</u></p> <p>Three statues passed at the 2014 General Synod require assent from the Diocesan Synod. These were tabled for members' information and will be discussed by the legal business committee prior to being tabled at synod in September.</p>
7853.	<p><u>DIOCESAN COUNCIL SYNOD REPORT</u></p> <p>7:15pm – Bishop Jim left the meeting.</p> <p>Megan Bowden tabled the draft 2015 DC synod report. Thanks were extended to Megan for drafting the report.</p> <p>Some corrections and additions were made and members were asked to forward any other amendments directly to Megan.</p> <p>The draft report was noted.</p>
7854.	<p><u>PROPERTY MATTERS</u></p> <p>Coromandel Mission District</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Harrison Grierson will do the survey for the subdivision of the vicarage. <p>Massey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An email was tabled from Carol Hughes following her recent meeting with the parish about the proposed development • Kevin Third, Lucy Nguyen and Clare Barrie were thanked for their time in meeting with the vicar, Learne McGrath. They apologised on behalf of the Council for any misunderstanding and the meeting was a positive move forward. • Future Diocesan Council communications around property will go through

	<p>Kevin Third.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Diocesan Manager is in the process of drafting a letter detailing various issues. • The General Trust Board's enhanced role in property purchase and sale has made these types of transactions more complex. • A revised property process document will be distributed by the GTB delegating clear lines of authority. • GTB presentation at Synod would be helpful especially concerning property and consolidated accounting. A Diocesan staff team diagram would also be helpful.
7855.	<p><u>COMMUNICATIONS STEERING COMMITTEE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deborah Rolland reported back to Diocesan Council. • Jayson Rhodes is in charge of the implementation of the communications strategy. Jayson will present at Synod on Communications. He is currently looking at the implementation of the intranet. <p>MOTION for next meeting: to disestablish the Communications Steering Group as its role has now changed, or to change its status to an advisory capacity. A copy of the Communication strategy will be circulated.</p>
7856.	<p><u>ADDITIONAL BUSINESS</u></p> <p>Apologies from Jackie Addis for not being able to attend the Hui Amorangi of Tai Tokerau. John Blundell and Sarah Stevens-Cross represented the Diocese and were warmly welcomed. A positive experience.</p> <p>Bishop Ross requested a leave of absence for the July meeting.</p> <p>Edward Swift will be leaving the Council on the 21st August.</p> <p>Bishop Ross acknowledged Kevin Third's third anniversary as Diocesan manager and thanked him for his work.</p>
7857.	<p><u>CLOSING</u></p> <p>The meeting closed at 7:45 with prayers by Bishop Ross and Jackie Addis.</p>

DEVOTIONS AT UP-COMING MEETINGS

- 30th July 2015
- 27th August 2015

The Rev. Richard Bonifant
Mr Graham Jones

SCANNED

07 AUG 2015

Approved: 
30 July 2015