

**DIOCESE OF AUCKLAND  
Diocesan Council**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT 4:00PM  
ON THURSDAY, 30 June 2016 AT NELIGAN HOUSE.**

**CHAIRPERSON: The Right Reverend Ross Bay**

8031.	<p><b><u>PRESENT</u></b></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. Sarah Stevens-Cross The Rev. Sarah Moss The Rev. Nyasha Gumbeze The Rev. Clare Barrie</td><td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;">Mrs Deborah Rolland Mr Garry Smith Ms Patricia Hall Mr Graham Jones Mrs Jackie Addis Mrs Karen Spoelstra Ms Megan Bowden Lay Canon Dr Briar Peat</td></tr></table> <p><u>In Attendance:</u></p> <p>Ms Sonia Maugham (Diocesan Manager) Miss Lynne Usher (Administrator)</p>	The Right Rev. Ross Bay The Right Rev. Jim White The Rev. Lucy Nguyen The Rev. Sarah Stevens-Cross The Rev. Sarah Moss The Rev. Nyasha Gumbeze The Rev. Clare Barrie	Mrs Deborah Rolland Mr Garry Smith Ms Patricia Hall Mr Graham Jones Mrs Jackie Addis Mrs Karen Spoelstra Ms Megan Bowden Lay Canon Dr Briar Peat
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8032.	<p><b><u>APOLOGIES</u></b></p> <p>The Rev. Richard Bonifant Lay Canon Dr Briar Peat (for lateness)</p>		
8033.	<p><b><u>PRAYERS AND DEVOTIONS</u></b></p> <p>Mr Garry Smith</p>		
8034.	<p><b><u>MATTERS ARISING – CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA</u></b></p> <p><u>Agenda</u> The Agenda as distributed was confirmed.</p> <p><u>Matters Arising</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• City Mission Board - Diocesan Council seat appointment.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Additional Decision Paper: Diocesan Council appointment to the City Mission Board.</li></ul></li><li>• St Columba, Grey Lynn<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Additional information paper reporting on the meeting 26 June 2016</li></ul></li></ul> <p>It was acknowledged that this would be The Rev. Sarah Stevens-Cross' last meeting before going on parental leave.</p> <p>4:10pm Lay Canon Dr Briar Peat arrived.</p>		

8035.	<p><u>DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST</u></p> <p><u>City Mission Board Appointment</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bishop Jim declared an interest as he is on the City Mission Board.</li> </ul> <p><u>Property Manager's Report</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Rev. Nyasha Gumbeze declared an interest in the item on Lynfield Community Church.</li> <li>• The Rev. Sarah Stevens-Cross declared an interest in the item on Bream Bay as she is the Enabler for this Ministry Unit.</li> </ul> <p><u>Report on the St Columba, Grey Lynn meeting</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms Patricia Hall declared an interest as she is a member of the congregation.</li> </ul>
8036.	<p><u>CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES</u></p> <p><i>It was <b>moved</b> by Mrs Deborah Rolland, <b>seconded</b> by The Rev. Lucy Nguyen, that the Minutes of the meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2016, with amendment to item 8008 removing "Patricia Hall" replacing with "Sarah Moss", be confirmed as a correct record.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>AGREED</b></p>
8037.	<p><u>BISHOPS' MATTERS</u></p> <p>The recent discernment event with the Dioceses of Waiapu and Waikato/Taranaki in had been positive. Thanks were extended to The Rev. Sarah Park for putting in place a strong collaborative process.</p> <p>The appointment process for the Episcopal Team is now concluded. The Rev's. Sarah Moss and Michael Berry were confirmed as the new Archdeacons. A commissioning service will take place at Synod 2016.</p> <p>The appointment of the new City Missioner, Chris Farrelly has been very positive.</p> <p>The Church of the Ascension, Point Chevalier closes Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2016.</p> <p>Whangarei Parish – with the new clergy appointed to the parish, there is a greater understanding of the financial position. At the moment the parish is living off capital which is unsustainable. A report outlining the current situation and future strategies will be presented at the July 2016 meeting.</p>
8038.	<p><u>MATTERS OUTSTANDING – SCHEDULE OF BUSINESS</u></p> <p><u>Changes to the Selwyn Foundation Constitution</u> A letter confirming the change will be sent to the Selwyn Foundation Board.</p> <p>8039. <u>Quota Working Group</u> The Diocesan Manager tabled a draft brief for the Quota Synod presentation. A short presentation will be delivered to Synod 2016 where the history of the Quota system, financial information, and inviting members to participate in a Quota small working group with the view to present a proposal to Synod 2017. A broad range of people from different parishes will need to be reflected in the group. Historical information on the Quota system has been sought from Archives.</p>

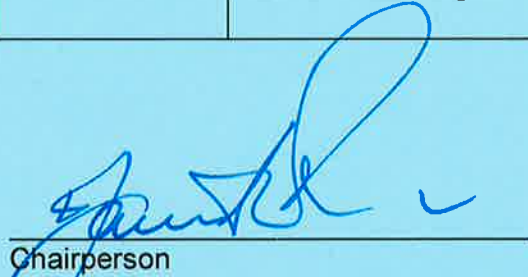
<p>8040.</p> <p>8041.</p> <p>8042.</p> <p>8043.</p> <p>8044.</p>	<p>The Council requested that the presentation lead people to think biblically about their giving and what it mean to live faithfully in response to God's generosity.</p> <p><u>Grey Lynn</u> Jackie Addis, Sarah Moss and Bishop Jim attended a meeting at the parish and notes were distributed to the Diocesan Council. A large contingent from the community was present. Diocesan Council needs to continue working with the vestry. This group will comprise Jackie Addis, Sarah Moss, Bishop Jim and a member of the Secretariat Team.</p> <p><u>Anglican Trusts Board</u> Diocesan Council is still waiting to hear about the availability of the present trustees.</p> <p><u>Diocesan Council Synod Report</u> Ms Megan Bowden has agreed to draft the report for Synod 2016.</p> <p><u>St Thomas', Tamaki Name Change</u> Archdeacon Carole is arranging a meeting with St Thomas' and St Andrew's Kohimarama in August to discuss the name change.</p> <p><u>Parental Leave Bill</u> The Stipends and Pensions Committee have drafted a parental leave amendment bill for Synod which will be submitted to the Legal Business Committee in July 2016.</p>
<p>8045.</p> <p>8046.</p> <p>8047.</p> <p>8048.</p>	<p><u>PROPERTY MANAGER'S REPORT</u></p> <p>4:50pm Mr Geoff Clark joined the meeting.</p> <p><u>Wellsford Mission District</u> The Diocesan Council agreed that the land adjacent to the church complex is of strategic value and that there is currently no reason to sell it.</p> <p><u>Waiuku Church and Hall</u> The Council is still committed to replanting a church in Waiuku in the future. However the condition of the church building, and in particular the window frames, is deteriorating badly. A tentative quote circa \$11,000 has been given to renovate the building. Other maintenance improvements required may be to the extent that demolition to the building may need to be considered. An option could be to sell the plant and purchase a plot of land for the future. Research needs to be done to identify available property and costs in the area that could be purchased. Harrison-Grierson has conducted a report on the future demographics of Waiuku which shows the centre of the township will remain more-or-less where it is currently. The existing church is in a high profile position and has heritage classification.</p> <p><u>Huapai</u> The church building at Huapai has fallen outside of the leaky building moratorium and will be a direct cost to the Church to repair.</p> <p><u>Bream Bay LSMU</u> The LSMU wishes to use some of its capital for capital works and the interest for operational expenses. The Property Manager has communicated with Bream Bay that any capital funds cannot be used for operational expenses as per current policy.</p>



8049.	<p><u>Use of Capital Funds</u> The Council discussed in general terms the Use of Capital Funds policy. The restriction ties down funds for capital works when there may be a more strategic way Ministry Units could use these for advancing their ministry or the ministry of other units who may be in a prime location within the Diocese but struggling financially.</p> <p>Mr Graham Jones requested the Property Manager assess the total investment the Council would need to repair and upgrade all properties in our Diocese.</p>		
8050.  8051.	<p><u>FINANCE REPORT</u></p> <p><u>The Finance Report</u> The Finance Report to the end of May 2016 was considered and received.</p> <p><u>Finance and Audit Committee Report</u> The Finance and Audit Committee wishes to highlight the cash-flow concerns and the result that some creditors are now not being paid on time. There is a likelihood that an overdraft or access to restricted funds (e.g. Dio Development Fund) on a temporary basis may need to be considered in order to fulfill creditor and wage payments until the Trust Management distribution is deposited.</p> <p>Diocesan Council agrees in principle that the Finance and Audit Committee can arrange to draw on reserve funds.</p>		
8052.          8053.	<p><u>DECISION PAPERS AND APPOINTMENTS</u></p> <p><u>Title D Standing Panel</u> The following people were suggested for the Mediation Panel and the Tribunal:</p> <table border="0" data-bbox="347 1205 1236 1406"> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top;"> <p><b>Mediation Members</b> The Reverend Caroline Leys The Reverend Liz Farrands Bigson Gumbeze Alannah Church</p> </td> <td style="vertical-align: top;"> <p><b>Tribunal Members</b> Judge Dale Clarkson Judge Stan Thorburn Justice Lyn Stevens Mr Matthew Ockleston Justice John Priestly</p> </td> </tr> </table> <p><b>Mediation &amp; Tribunal Members</b> The Reverend Diane Miller-Keeley The Reverend Vicki Sykes</p> <p>It was <b><i>moved</i></b> by Mr Graham Jones, and <b><i>seconded</i></b> by Bishop Jim White, that Diocesan Council, approve this list of nominees.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>AGREED</b></p> <p><u>St Paul's, Symonds Street Application for funds from St Paul's Trust</u> St Paul's requested access to their Trust for funds for an electrical rewiring project on their Symonds Street church property to the value of \$12,316.50.</p> <p><i>It was <b>moved</b> by Mrs Jackie Addis, and <b>seconded</b> by Mr Garry Smith, that Diocesan Council, approves the application by St Paul's, Symonds Street for the drawing of funds from St Paul's Trust for capital works to the value of \$12,316.50.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>AGREED</b></p>	<p><b>Mediation Members</b> The Reverend Caroline Leys The Reverend Liz Farrands Bigson Gumbeze Alannah Church</p>	<p><b>Tribunal Members</b> Judge Dale Clarkson Judge Stan Thorburn Justice Lyn Stevens Mr Matthew Ockleston Justice John Priestly</p>
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8054.	<p><u>St Paul's Symonds Street Application under Clause 114 – the Ministry Unit Statute</u> This application arose from a motion regarding vestry member numbers that was passed at this Parish's Special General Meeting (SGM) which was not included in the notice calling the SGM.</p> <p><i>It was <b>moved</b> by Bishop Jim White, and <b>seconded</b> by The Rev. Sarah Moss, that Diocesan Council, approve St Paul's Symonds Street's application under clause 114 of the Ministry Unit Statute and validate the decision made at the Special General Meeting to increase the number of vestry members from nine to ten.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>AGREED</b></p>
8055.	<p><u>Diocesan Office Relocation Report</u> The Diocesan Office Relocation Task Group met on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2016 and drafted the working group terms of reference and compiled a brief report of their first meeting. Both these documents were tabled.</p> <p>The Council were in agreement with the Terms of Reference however asked that a responsibility be added to consider the future of Neligan House. Throughout this process the group welcomes feedback from the Diocesan Council.</p> <p><i>It was <b>moved</b> by Mr Garry Smith, and <b>seconded</b> by The Rev. Clare Barrie, that Diocesan Council approves the Terms of Reference put forward by the Working Group with the addition of considering the future of Neligan House.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>AGREED</b></p>
8056.	<p><u>Diocesan Council Appointment to the Board of the Auckland City Mission</u> Due to a Diocesan Council vacancy on the Board a recruitment process has been completed and Claire Szabo, currently CEO Habitat for Humanity has been endorsed by the Board as a suitable candidate.</p> <p><i>It was <b>moved</b> by Bishop Jim White, and <b>seconded</b> by The Rev. Clare Barrie, that Diocesan Council approves the appointment of Claire Szabo to the Board of the Auckland City Mission.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>AGREED</b></p>
	<p>Diocesan Council congratulates the Auckland City Mission on the appointment of Chris Farrelly and thanks the Board for their diligence in working towards this appointment. The Council acknowledges the work of Bishop Jim providing leadership to the Board and offers him their thanks. The City Mission Board also will be inviting Gavin Rennie to join the Board.</p>
8057.	<p><u>INFORMATION PAPERS</u></p> <p><u>HTC Consecration</u> HTC Consecration Committee Meeting Minutes for May 2016; was included in the information papers. A request has been made to Diocesan Council to support an initiative whereby the tag line "The Year of the Cathedral Consecration" will be added to the bottom of all Diocesan emails. This would commence at Advent.</p> <p><u>Additional Reports</u> The following reports were received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Auckland Northland Tertiary Ecumenical Chaplaincy Trust Board Report Nov 2015;</li> <li>• Mission and Ministry Oversight Group Meeting Minutes for May 2016;</li> <li>• Mission and Ministry Team Leader Report for June 2016.</li> </ul>

8058.	6:10pm Miss Lynne Usher left the meeting The meeting went In Committee to discuss a sensitive matter.
8059.	<u>CLOSING</u> The meeting closed at 6:30pm with the Grace. The next meeting is scheduled for 28 <sup>th</sup> July 2016 at 4pm in the Neligan House Boardroom.



Chairperson

28 July 2016  
Date

Devotions schedule for future meetings:

28<sup>th</sup> July 2016

The Rev. Nyasha Gumbeze

25<sup>th</sup> August 2016

Mr Graham Jones