

YOUTH SYNOD STATUTE 1996

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Bishops, Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Auckland in Synod assembled as follows:

- 1 The short title of this Statute shall be "**The Youth Synod Statute 1996**".
- 2 For the purpose of this Statute "Youth Hui Representative" shall be deemed to mean a duly appointed representative in the Diocesan Youth Synod which Synod is also known as the Diocesan Youth Hui.
- 3 In accordance with the provisions of this Statute, each Parish or Mission District or Ministry Unit shall, in consultation with the young people of the ministry unit, elect a Youth Synod Representative at the Annual General Meeting of parishioners or members of the worshipping community associated with the ministry unit. A report of the previous Youth Synod shall also be presented at this meeting.
- 3.1 In addition, any young person, youth group leader or person engaged, concerned or interested in youth ministry may attend and participate in Youth Synods or Hui.
- 4 The election of the Youth Hui Representative shall follow the election of People's Warden, except where there is an election for Diocesan Synod Representatives, it shall follow this election.
- 5 Each Anglican Secondary School may elect a Youth Synod Representative, such appointments to be confirmed by the Principal and/or Chaplain of the school concerned. For the purposes of this clause, the following shall be deemed to be Anglican Secondary Schools: Dilworth School, Diocesan School for Girls, King's College.
- 6 Any person who is baptised may be elected as a Youth Synod or Hui Representative. Every person present shall be entitled to vote.
- 7 No person shall act as a Youth Synod Representative for more than one Parish, Mission District, Ministry Unit or Anglican Secondary School.
- 8 The names and addresses of each elected Youth Synod Representative shall be forwarded to the Diocesan Secretary as soon as possible after the appointment.
- 9.1 The purposes of Youth Synod or Hui shall include the following:
 - a] To provide an annual overview of youth and church matters in a safe and friendly environment, involving as many young people in the Diocese as possible.
 - b] Reporting on the previous year's Diocesan youth ministry activities by staff members of Anglican Youth Ministries.
 - c] Reporting on youth activities from the Ministry Units represented.
 - d] Dialogue with other representatives of the Diocese, and Diocesan Bishop where possible.
 - e] Elections of Youth Representatives to Diocesan Synod
 - f] Election of Youth Representatives to other bodies as necessary.
 - g] Forwarding of any business matters to Diocesan Synod.
 - h] Future planning for Anglican Youth Ministries.

- 9.2 The Youth Synod or Hui shall seek to work in co-operation and partnership with other Synods, Hui, Youth Work agencies and instrumentalities of the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia including the other Dioceses in New Zealand, Te Pihopatanga o Aotearoa and the Diocese of Polynesia.
- 9.3 The Youth Synod or Hui shall determine its own procedures and processes for decision-making from time to time, and may amend the same as it considers necessary or desirable.
- 9.4 The Youth Synod shall meet annually prior to the Diocesan Synod.
- 10 "The Youth Synod Representation Statute, 1987" is hereby repealed.