

# Anglican Diocese of Waiapu

## STANDING COMMITTEE

MINUTES of the conference meeting held in the Kauri Room,  
Holy Trinity Church, 215 Devonport Road, Tauranga on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019  
commencing at 6.20pm

**CHAIRPERSON: The Right Reverend Andrew Hedge**

	<p><b>Membership:</b></p> <p>Bishop Andrew Hedge                      Rev'd Paul Williamson Rev'd Tim Barker                              Mrs Elaine Wood The Very Rev'd Ian Render                  Mr John Binns Rev'd Jenny Chalmers                        Rev'd Jo Crosse Miss Alison Thomson                        Rev'd Isabel Mordecai Ms Lauren Hibberd</p> <p><b>In Attendance:</b></p> <p>Mrs Bianca Snee (Minutes Secretary) Ms Colleen Kaye (Registrar)</p> <p><b>Apologies</b></p> <p>Dr Diane Mara Rev'd Jenny Chalmers</p> <p><b>Opening Prayer:</b></p> <p>Led by Bishop Andrew Hedge.</p>
	<p><b>Please note:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The meeting did not follow the order of the agenda; however the minutes are recorded as per the agenda.</li></ul>
SC 19.12.1	<p><b>Confirmation of the Minutes – 29<sup>th</sup> October 2019</b></p> <p><b><i>Resolved:</i> The minutes of the meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2019 be confirmed as a correct record.</b></p> <p><b>Confirmation of the 'In Committee' Minutes – 29<sup>th</sup> October 2019</b></p> <p><b><i>Resolved:</i> The minutes of the 'In Committee' meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2019 be confirmed as a correct record.</b></p> <p><b>Matters Arising and Action List:</b></p> <p>A discussion was held on the Action List, no matters arose.</p>

<p><b>SC 19.12.2</b></p>	<p><b>FINANCE</b></p> <p>The Diocesan Registrar presented the financial reports on behalf of the Finance Manager.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial Report – 31<sup>st</sup> Oct 2019</li> <li>• Financial Narrative – 31<sup>st</sup> Oct 2019</li> <li>• Parish Financial Health Sheet – 31<sup>st</sup> Oct 2019</li> </ul> <p><b>Further to the reports:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Income YTD is not as high as budget. This is due to original budget being a placeholder for what was received the year before from ACW. The diocese now has a more accurate calculation on its resources used by ACW.</li> <li>• The special project funding from Legacy Gardens is being put aside.</li> <li>• There is a forecast surplus of \$219,679 as opposed to a budget surplus of \$120,006, which is of a similar position to last year.</li> <li>• Parish offerings are consistent compared to last year of \$9000.</li> <li>• The other resource that the Shared Services team have advertised for is a Property Portfolio Manager to manage over 113 buildings. The intention is to fill this position by February 2020.</li> </ul> <p><b><i>Resolved: To receive the financial reports to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019.</i></b></p>
<p><b>SC 19.12.3</b></p>	<p><b>PROPERTY</b></p> <p><u>The Deanery</u></p> <p>The Diocesan Registrar informed the Committee that the Deanery was sold by tender for \$1.05 million. Proceeds from the sale will be reinvested into a modern low maintenance property.</p> <p><u>St James, Mahora</u></p> <p>The Diocesan Registrar informed the Committee that the St James, Mahora sold for \$485k plus GST to 'Foundation Nest' Church.</p> <p>Bishop Andrew acknowledged and extended a thank you to David Van Oeveren for his efforts to remove the chattels and furniture from the St James Church.</p> <p><u>Parish of Napier South</u></p> <p>The Bishop reported on the Parish of South Napier and informed the Committee that he, the Diocesan Registrar, Regional Dean, and Alison Thomson had met with the full vestry of South Napier on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November.</p> <p>The decision to not reinvest funding into the maintenance of the hall was communicated to the vestry.</p> <p>Other options for the South Napier site were discussed, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Demolish the church and clear the land ready for sale.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Redevelop a purpose-built place for ministry to carry on, and partner with another group within the social services.</li> </ul> <p>The vestry requested that the St Augustine’s Church be demolished in the very near future.</p> <p><i>Action: Investigate getting the demolition process of St Augustine’s Church underway.</i></p>
<p><b>SC 19.12.4</b></p>	<p><b>IT Project</b></p> <p>The Diocesan Registrar spoke to the ACW CEO’s memo and reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The MagiQ contract has been terminated as they failed to meet specific requirements. The decision to terminate was not made lightly due to the amount of funds already invested in the project.</li> <li>• The process of selecting a new provider, including reference checks, is underway.</li> <li>• The providers who are being reviewed include Theta, presenting Microsoft’s Business Central, and Fusion Five, presenting Oracle’s Netsuite.</li> <li>• Scope of work expected to commence late January with the roll out of work estimated to take up to six months to complete.</li> <li>• MagiQ has since undergone internal changes within the business.</li> <li>• The new CEO of MagiQ has asked to meet with the Diocese for feedback.</li> </ul> <p><b>Resolved:</b></p> <p><i>i) That Standing Committee resolves to receive the progress update on implementation of the IT Programme;</i></p> <p><i>ii) That the Standing Committee approve additional funding of a total of \$190,000, to be shared on a pro-rata basis with the Waiapu Anglican Social Services, for implementation of the IT Programme of work.</i></p>
<p><b>SC 19.12.5</b></p>	<p><b>Diocesan Committees</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Diocesan Canon Review Committee</b> Nothing to report.</li> <li>• <b>Diocesan Ministry Committee</b> Nothing to report.</li> </ul>
<p><b>SC 19.12.6</b></p>	<p><b>OTHER REPORTS</b></p> <p><u>Bishop’s Report</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Sabbatical</b> – The Bishop has reconsidered his options for Sabbatical. The plan is to take seven weeks during March and April and three to four weeks in June, which will be used for rest.</li> <li>• <b>Lambeth Conference</b> – The Bishop and his wife Raewyn will attend the Lambeth conference in July 2020</li> <li>• <b>General Synod in Nelson</b> – Will be held from 9<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> May 2020.</li> <li>• <b>Jerusalem</b> – The Bishop plans to spend his remaining sabbatical time to visit Jerusalem. St John’s has contributed with finance to help support this sabbatical.</li> </ul>

- **Hereworth School Trust Board** – The Bishop will step away from his position on the Hereworth School Trust Board at the end of 2019 and would like to appoint Rev'd John Matthews to take his seat.

Bishop Andrew acknowledged that 2020 will be a disruptive year but will spend time with Rev'd Jenny Chalmers and his leadership team in the early part of the year to ensure a smooth handover.

Bishop Andrew reported that he is not intending to stand on the committee for Te Kotahitanga, or Te Kaunihera next year, however, he may reconsider reappointment in the future.

Bishop Andrew expressed his great joy in the appointments and installations over the last week, which included:

- Rev'd Sue Beverly: Appointed full time priest at Otumoetai. Sue has travelled from Britain with her husband John.
- Rev'd Bronwyn Marchant: Appointed priest in charge of Gisborne parish. Bronwyn has had previous experience with Gate Pa and various parishes within Australia.
- Rev'd John Matthews: Appointed Vicar at St Luke's Havelock North. John has travelled from Wales with his wife Sue.

#### General Synod Representative Report

Rev'd Jo Crosse shared some highlights from the minutes of the most recent GSSC meeting:

- Archbishop Don Tamihere reported about the recent disruptions at Te Aute and the decision to request that a Commissioner be appointed.
- Tikanga Pacifica spoke of the challenges they are facing in their schools, which include building maintenance issues and their struggles to find staff. A broader conversation occurred about both the resourcing of our schools and the place of our educational institutions in the life and mission of the Church. Terms of reference were drafted for a small working group to look at a range of related matters.
- The Royal Commission was discussed in terms of what has happened in pastoral care. Jo reported that the pastoral responses so far have been provided by local clergy on request, but that in future it is intended to have a better coordinated and supported team trained for this important ongoing work with the Commission process. Bishop Andrew reported that one of the pieces of work the church has done in response to the issues are engaging with legal firm Wynn Williams who will act for the Anglican Church in Aotearoa.
- The responses to the ordination of Jay Behan were discussed. There are ongoing conversations amongst the Anglican Primates and other leaders in NZ, Australia and other parts of the world. Relationships are strained. However, GSSC concluded that as far as possible we need to keep attention on the positive stories and relationships from our Province. For example, Archbishop Philip has recently come back from Zambia and spoke very positively about his experiences there and the opportunities he had to share our story about the decisions that were reached to allow for the blessing of same sex relationships and the processes taken to reach them.

	<p>Bishop Andrew requested that a Royal Commission update be added to the Standing Committee agenda as an ongoing item.</p> <p><i>Action: Add the Royal Commission Update as an ongoing topic item to the Standing Committee agenda until further notice.</i></p> <p><u>TPCCG Representative Report</u></p> <p>Alison Thomson provided a report from the Tikanga Pakeha conference held in November, noting the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tikanga Pakeha met with the National Youth Facilitator and STRANDZ coordinator. They are doing a lot of work throughout the country supporting local people working in their area.</li> <li>• There is debate on when the Tikanga Pakeha members of Synod will meet. It is usually prior to the opening of Synod to reduce travel costs, however, there are some questions about whether that is fair.</li> <li>• Tikanga Pakeha will meet again in March to finalise what will happen.</li> </ul>
<p><b>SC 19.12.7</b></p>	<p><b>OTHER BUSINESS</b></p> <p><u>Reflections on the Hui at The Elms</u></p> <p>The Standing Committee attended the Hui held at The Elms, Tauranga on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019 in support of GSSC and Nga Iwi o Tauranga Moana.</p> <p>Bishop Andrew invited the Standing Committee members to share their reflections, which included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It was great to hear about past and present stories, and how they are trying to heal the present.</li> <li>• It meant a lot to have both the previous Archbishop, David Moxon, and the current Archbishop, Philip Richardson, leading the way.</li> <li>• The Committee requested further clarification around what Archbishop Philip meant by saying “there is much more work that needs to be done within Tikanga and restoring the life of the church”. Bishop Andrew explained that as a church we need to face up to potential claims within the church.</li> </ul> <p><u>2019 Meeting Dates:</u></p> <p>The 2020 Standing Committee meeting dates were discussed, and the following dates were agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 27<sup>th</sup> February 2020</li> <li>• 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2020</li> <li>• 18<sup>th</sup> June 2020 (Apology from Bishop Andrew)</li> <li>• 20<sup>th</sup> August 2020</li> <li>• 5<sup>th</sup> November 2020</li> <li>• 10<sup>th</sup> December 2020</li> </ul>

The meeting start time was discussed, and a 9am start time was proposed. Members could Zoom in from a location of their choice rather than having to travel to the meeting.

The Committee discussed how valuable meeting in Tauranga and visiting various sites had been and agreed that two meetings in 2020 would be held face to face in two different locations.

***Action: Bishop Andrew and the Diocesan Registrar to view their calendars and select two meeting dates and locations for the face to face meetings to take place.***

#### Judy Mills Request

The Diocesan Registrar informed the Committee that she had received an email from Judy Mills, who is requesting funding for a book she wishes to write and publish about the life of Archbishop Norman Lesser.

Funding requested is \$3600, which is made up of the following:

- \$1100 publishing
- \$2500 for 100 books

The Diocesan Registrar advised that there were funds available in the GDF Sanders Trust account, which could be made available.

***Resolved: That Standing Committee move to approve the funding of the Normal Lesser Story books in the amount of \$3600 from the GDF Sanders Trust account.***

#### Tauranga Developing Area's Tour

Rev'd Paul Williamson informed the Committee of the new housing developments taking place in The Lakes vicinity and the Greenfields site that is being developed from Papamoa east to the Kaituna river, and to the foothills of Maketu.

The Committee discussed the possibility of 'church planting' and what it means to church plant without a church building.

It was stated that community development can be leveraged wider than families and children and that mission is needed in all sectors of society.

The possibility of creating a social service space which provides a great church service on a Sunday was discussed.

The Standing Committee members, along with members of the WASSTB and the ACW Senior Leadership Team, were taken on a tour led by Paul Williamson, of the developing areas, which included the new sub-divisions in The Lakes vicinity and the Greenfields site to explore the possibilities of implementing a church or community hub.

**Bishop Andrew called the meeting to a close at 1:37pm.**

	<p>Confirmed: _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Chair</p> <p>Date: _____</p>
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