

# Anglican Diocese of Waiapu

## STANDING COMMITTEE

**MINUTES** of the conference meeting held on **Tuesday, 9 August 2018 at 10.30am**

**CHAIRPERSON: The Right Reverend Andrew Hedge**

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|           | <p><b>Membership</b></p> <p>Bishop Andrew Hedge                      Miss Alison Thomson<br/>Mr Brian Watkins                              Ms Elspeth Atkinson<br/>Mr John Binns                                  Rev'd Dr Howard Pilgrim<br/>Rev'd Paul Williamson                      Rev'd Arthur Bruce<br/>Rev'd Joan Edmundson                      Rev'd Tim Barker<br/>Rev'd Jenny Chalmers</p> <p><b>In Attendance</b></p> <p>Ms Colleen Kaye (Registrar)<br/>Rev'd Jo Crosse (General Synod SC)<br/>Mrs Colleen Marriott (Minute Secretary)</p> <p><b>Apologies</b></p> <p>Rev'd Arthur Bruce and Mr Brian Watkins</p> <p><b>Prayers</b></p> <p>Led by Bishop Andrew</p> |
| SC 18.8.1 | <p><b>Confirmation of the Minutes – 14 June 2018</b></p> <p><b><i>Resolved:</i></b></p> <p><b><i>That the minutes of the meeting held on 14 June 2018 be confirmed as a correct record.</i></b></p>  |
| SC 18.8.2 | <p><b>Matters Arising and Action List:</b></p> <p><u>Papamoa Strategic Review</u></p> <p>A verbal update was given from Rev'd Jenny Chalmers and Rev'd Deborah Broome on their overview to date. A discussion was held on their findings. The last part of the report will be available for the next SC Meeting.</p> <p><b><u>Action:</u></b></p> <p><b><i>Rev'd Jenny Chalmers will write to Rev'd Sandra Johnston and Rev'd Julie Guest thanking them for their input, reiterating that this is a long-term review.</i></b></p> <p><u>Mahora Parish Property</u></p> <p>A valuation and a property condition report has been commissioned on the property.</p>                   |

**Action:**

- i) Clarify that ex-Mahora parishioners are being looked after by one or the other Hastings parishes.***
- ii) That a sign is attached to the front door of St James church giving people St Matthew's contact details.***

**St Augustine's Parish Property**

A valuation has been commissioned on the property.

Initial discussions have been held with Lucy Laitinen on possible use ACW may have for the site. Further conversations will be held after ACW have completed their strategic direction.

A letter addressed to Bishop Andrew from the St Augustine's/St Luke's vestry was tabled at the meeting outlining their concerns about the process.

**Action:**

***Bishop Andrew will respond to the letter, reminding them that in March 2016 they asked Standing Committee to take over the problem. Their wording: "Hence our February 2016 monthly vestry meeting concluded that "we ourselves are going round in endless circles" and subsequently as the church actually belongs to the Diocese, we desire to hand over the problem to yourselves as Bishop, Committee and Board to resolve".***

**Omokoroa Property**

A legal opinion regarding the vicarage owned by WBDT is being sought from Lauren Hibberd of SLW.

Omokoroa Parish Council have asked Bishop Andrew to convene a meeting between the UCANZ partners and themselves, to discuss governance.

**SC 18.8.3**

**Strategic and Policy Reports**

Finance Team Manager, Tracey O'Shaughnessy, was invited to join the meeting at 12.00pm to present the financial reports.

- Financial Report for the Diocese to 30 June 2018.
- Financial Narrative – 30 June 2018
- Parish Financial Health Sheet
- Draft budget for 2019

Colleen Kaye reported further on how the Shared Services Team is tracking.

**Action:**

***2018 Synod reports are to include information of the Shared Services Team::***

- i) Financial Reports: a note about the impact to the budget, and***
- ii) Standing Committee Report: an explanation on how the SST operates***

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|                         | <p><b><u>Resolved:</u></b></p> <p><b><i>That the Standing Committee receive the financial report and the 2019 budget.</i></b></p> <p>The Bishop thanked Tracey. The Finance Team Manager left the meeting at 12.30pm.</p> <p><b>The meeting adjourned for lunch at 12.30pm and re-convened at 1.15pm</b></p>   |
| <p><b>SC 18.8.4</b></p> | <p><b>Diocesan Committees</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>Diocesan Canon Review Committee</i></b><br/>Nothing to report.</li> <li>• <b><i>Diocesan Ministry Committee</i></b><br/>Nothing to report.</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>SC 18.8.5</b></p> | <p><b>Other Reports</b></p> <p><u>Bishop’s Report</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bishop Andrew reported on how the Regional Conferences went, especially being able to talk about the outcome of Motion 7 at General Synod.</li> <li>• There is a meeting being held on 23 August 2018 between the House of Bishops and the Archbishop of Sydney – regarding the response to Motion 7 at General Synod.</li> <li>• The Regional Executive team are to work out this year what the impact would be if there was no longer a Regional Executive.</li> </ul> <p><u>General Synod Representative Report</u></p> <p>Rev’d Jo Cross reported on the first meeting of the current GS Standing Committee held in Fiji.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This was Archbishop Winston’s last Standing Committee. An official farewell service was held for him.</li> <li>• There will be a change in process for this current round of funding applications to St John’s College in terms of Common-life. Common-life applications are now on-line and will be reviewed by the St John’s Trust Board.</li> <li>• Te Kotahitanga have taken over organising the theological hui – defining Christian education.</li> <li>• Bi-cultural waingunga – still working on “experiencing bi-cultural relationships together”; a new group will take over this piece of work.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Action:</u></b></p> <p><b><i>Standing Committee is to send a letter of gratitude and small gift to Archbishop Winston and Sue thanking them for their ministry in the church.</i></b></p> |

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|                         | <p><b><u>TPCCG Representative Report</u></b></p> <p>Alison updated the committee on what is happening within the Tikanga Pakeha Conference Coordinating Group.</p>   |
| <p><b>SC 18.8.6</b></p> | <p><b>General Business</b></p> <p><u>Waiaapu Synod</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No motions to present to Synod this year.</li> <li>• Five statutes out of General Synod will be addressed.</li> <li>• ACW will report on their strategic process to date.</li> <li>• Bishop Andrew will spend time on his Charge.</li> <li>• 160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – celebrate it at dinner. Invitations are to be sent to past Bishops and past Registrars, as well as ++ Don and +Ngarahu</li> <li>• It was difficult obtaining names this year for Standing Committee.</li> </ul> <p><u>Central Hawkes Bay Parish request to sell Waipawa Vicarage</u></p> <p>A discussion was held regarding the benefits of keeping and renting the vicarage versus selling the property.</p> <p><b><u>Action:</u></b></p> <p><b><i>Colleen Kaye will use this as a test case and develop a guideline; and will respond to the parish.</i></b></p> <p><u>Motor Vehicle Reimbursement Rates</u></p> <p>The InterChurch Bureau and Anglican Legislative Unit prepared a report on motor vehicle reimbursement rates, based on the 2018 AA survey. The suggested maximum reimbursement rates are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to 14,000 km – Annual running                      77c</li> <li>• Up to 20,000 km – Annual running                      62c</li> <li>• Up to 26,000 km – Annual running                      54c</li> <li>• Kilometres beyond the chosen band                      28.4c</li> <li>• Casual Rate of 42c per kilometre for occasional users who do not keep annual odometer readings.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Resolved:</u></b></p> <p><b><i>That the Standing Committee approves the suggested rates as at 1 August 2018.</i></b></p> <p><u>St Johns College – Funding of Episcopal Education</u></p> <p>St Johns College Trust Board have agreed to provide episcopal education funding support for the Bishoprics in the dioceses. The funding will be 50% of the direct costs of a bishop,</p> |

to a maximum of \$65,000 per diocese/amorangi. The application will be included in the St John's College funding application.

**Resolved:**

***That the Standing Committee receive the letter, and that the WBDT will be informed as it will be the Bishopric Endowment Trust that will receive the funding.***

Reverends Arthur & Adrienne Bruce – Request for moving grant

The letter received from Reverends Arthur and Adrienne requesting a grant to contribute to their removal expenses from Papamoa to Dannevirke was discussed.

Clarity for Waiapu is required for this request and any future requests.

**Resolved**

***That the Standing Committee does not approve contributing to the removal costs, but is in no way a reflection on how they view their ministry.***

Shared Services Reference Group

Bishop Andrew informed the committee that a governance reference group lead by Reverend Sybil Gibson is being established to have oversight of the Shared Services Team, and mentoring for the Diocesan Registrar.

**SC 18.8.7**

**Other Business**

Southern Hawkes Bay Parish – Joint Venture Building

Jo Crosse informed the meeting that she and her two wardens met with Bishop Andrew, Colleen Kaye and Lucy Laitinen to discuss a possible joint venture between the parish and ACW regarding building a facility on the empty section in Dannevirke once the house has been removed. The idea is that the building would be a parish/social services hub, with a hall, counselling rooms and approx. 20 offices; able to accommodate Taradale Family Services, Elske Centre and Lavender Blue Careforce.

Retiring Standing Committee Members

Bishop Andrew acknowledged the service and contribution from Elspeth Atkinson, Howard Pilgrim and Joan Edmundson as they retire from Standing Committee.

2018 Meeting Dates:

20-21 February    19 April    14 June    9 August    25 October    6 December

The meeting concluded at 3.17pm

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