

MINUTES

DIOCESE OF WAIKATO AND TARANAKI

FIRST SESSION OF THE THIRTY-NINTH SYNOD

MINUTES OF THE FIRST DAY

FRIDAY 13TH OCTOBER, 2017

6.30pm Synod Eucharist in Holy Trinity Church, Stratford

Presidents' welcome to Synod Members and Invited Guests

CONSTITUTION OF SYNOD

During the opening, Synod was constituted by the Synod Secretary who, pursuant to Clause 14(2) of Statute No. 2, the Waikato and Taranaki Diocesan Statute 2014, confirmed that the First Session of the Thirty-Ninth Synod had a quorum. There were 159 members registered and 29 apologies.

GUESTS ATTENDING THE OPENING

Mr Don Christian, Trustee, Taranaki Anglican Trust Board

IN MEMORIAM

Synod members stood to remember those who had died since Synod 2016:

The Most Reverend Brown Turei

The Reverend Joan Dallaway

The Reverend Brian Jackson

The Reverend David Pearce

The Reverend Ken Stone

The Reverend Canon Ron Taylor

Mrs Rosemary Ellis

Mrs Betty Thwaites

BISHOPS' CHARGE

Was presented and a copy is appended.

8.00pm Synod adjourned.

MINUTES OF THE SECOND DAY

SATURDAY 14TH OCTOBER, 2017

VENUE WAR MEMORIAL CENTRE, STRATFORD

8.30am THE PRESIDENTS' WELCOME

MORNING WORSHIP was led by the Synod Chaplains, the Reverends Mele Prescott and Vincent Nuku.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Synod Secretary, the Venerable Trevor Harrison, announced the greetings received from:

The Right Reverend Justin Duckworth and the Right Reverend Eleanor Sanderson, Diocese of Wellington

The Right Reverend Andrew Hedge, Diocese of Waipapu

The Right Reverend Victoria Matthews, Diocese of Christchurch

The Right Reverend Ross Bay and the Right Reverend Jim White,
Diocese of Auckland

The Right Reverend Richard Ellena, Diocese of Nelson

The Reverend Tric Malcolm, Chairperson, The Anglican Care Network

8.55am **Motion No. 1: Procedural Motion**

Mover: The Venerable Trevor Harrison

Seconder: Mrs Cheryl Anderson

The procedural motion includes:

- A. Officers of Synod
- B. Hours of Synod
- C. Leave of Synod
- D. Rights to Speak
- E. Procedural

A. Officers and Sessional Committees of Synod

That the Officers and Sessional Committees of Synod 2017 be as follows:

Secretaries:

The Reverend Tim Lloyd (Clerical Secretary)

Mrs Adele Grigsby (Lay Secretary)

Additional Secretaries will be confirmed at Synod

Chairpersons of Committee:

The Venerable Paul Weeding

Mrs Cheryl Anderson

Time Keepers:

The Reverend Paul Bowers-Mason
The Reverend Norris Hall
Mrs Denise Bosson
Mr Ross Haybittle

Order Paper Committee as required:

The Most Reverend Philip Richardson
The Right Reverend Dr Helen-Ann Hartley
The Venerable Trevor Harrison
The Chancellor, Judge Chris Harding
Mrs Philippa Harrison
Canon Dr Bryan Bang

Minutes Committee:

The Venerable Trevor Harrison
Canon Dr Bryan Bang

Synod Photographer:

The Reverend Peter Sampson

B. Hours of Synod

That the hours of Synod be as follows:

Friday 13th October, 2017 Holy Trinity Church, Stratford

6.00pm	Signing Attendance Register
6.15pm	Synod Members seated
6.30pm	Presidents' Welcome, Synod Eucharist, Constitution of Synod, Bishops' Charge

Saturday 14th October, 2017 War Memorial Centre, Stratford

8.00am	Signing Attendance Register
8.30am	Morning Worship followed by Business Sessions until 5.00pm
6.30pm	Synod Dinner at St. Mary's Diocesan School

Sunday 15th October, 2017 War Memorial Centre, Stratford

8.00am	Signing Attendance Register
8.30am	Morning Worship followed by Business Sessions
3.00pm	Conclusion of Synod (earlier if all business dealt with)

C. Leave of Absence & Apologies

That Leave of Absence is granted to those who have made submissions in writing; and in addition those recorded daily (during Synod) on the attendance lists.

D. Right to speak

That those listed have the right to Speak, but not to vote:

Ms Anne Edwards, Trust Management Limited
Ms Grace Sun, Trust Management Limited
Mr Michael Hartfield, Anglican Missions Board
Mr David Lawson, Christian World Service
Mr Lance Pilbrow, North East Taranaki Ministry Region
Mrs Julia Moore-Pilbrow, North East Taranaki Ministry Region
Mrs Heather Major, Lay Leader, The Co-Operating Parish of Bryant
Park

Anybody else with the leave of the Presidents

E. Procedural

That the General Purpose Financial Statements of the Standing Committee and the Waikato Diocesan Trust Board be the order of the day for Saturday and that they be taken as read.

CARRIED

9.00am MINUTES OF THE SECOND SESSION OF THE THIRTY-EIGHTH SYNOD

The minutes of the Second Session of the Thirty-Eighth Synod were tabled.

Archbishop Philip moved from the Chair that those minutes be accepted.

CARRIED

9.05am FIRST READING OF BILLS

Bill No 1 The Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Bill 2017

Moved: Canon Dr Bryan Bang

Seconded: Canon Gerald Bailey

“That the principles of the Bill be approved and that the Bill be referred to Synod in Committee for consideration in detail for later in the day.”

CARRIED

Bill No X The (Temporary) Clergymembers of Standing Committee Election Bill 2017

Moved: Canon Dr Bryan Bang

Seconded: Canon Gerald Bailey

“That the principles of the Bill be approved and that the Bill be referred to Synod in Committee for consideration immediately.”

CARRIED

9.10am SECOND READING OF BILL X

Moved: Canon Dr Bryan Bang

Seconded: Canon Gerald Bailey

“That Synod move into Committee to consider Bill No X.”

CARRIED

SYNOD IN COMMITTEE

**THE (TEMPORARY) CLERGYMEMBERS OF STANDING COMMITTEE
ELECTION BILL 2017**

The Synod of the Diocese of Waikato and Taranaki enacts as follows –

1. TITLE

This Statute is The (Temporary) Clergymembers of Standing Committee Election Statute 2017.

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Statute is to make provision for the election to the Standing Committee of three members of the House of Clergy in 2017, since that House failed to make any nomination of members for election in 2017 in the time allowed.

3. ELECTION OF THREE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF CLERGY TO THE STANDING COMMITTEE

(a) Nominations for election to the Standing Committee by the House of Clergy may be made in writing to the Synod Secretary during Saturday 14 October 2017.

(b) An election, if necessary, shall be held at the same time as elections for positions on the General Synod are held.

(c) Each nomination shall be accompanied by a short written statement by the nominator detailing the skills and experience that the nominee would bring to the work of the Standing Committee.

(d) The nominee must indicate his or her agreement to nomination on the nomination paper being made.

4. TERM OF OFFICE

The members of the Standing Committee so elected shall remain in office until the commencement of Synod 2019.

5. REPEAL

This Statute shall cease to have effect at the conclusion of this Synod 2017.

9.19am "That Synod move out of Committee."

CARRIED

SYNOD OUT OF COMMITTEE

The Chairperson of Synod in Committee reported to the President that Synod had considered Bill No X and had passed the same without amendments.

"That the decision of the Synod in Committee be the decision of the whole Synod."

CARRIED

"That the third reading be done immediately."

CARRIED

9.20am **THIRD READING OF BILL X**

The President moved from the Chair that Bill No X be read a third time.

CARRIED

9.21am **Motion No. 2: Receive the Reports to Synod**

Mover: The President of Synod

That this Synod receives the following reports:

Anglican Action
Bishop's Action Foundation
Chaplain to the Retired – Waikato
Chaplain to the Retired – Taranaki
Cursillo
Management Resourcing Subcommittee
Standing Committee
Taranaki Anglican Trust Board
Taranaki Cathedral Chapter
Taranaki Tertiary Chaplaincy Trust Board
Te Rau Aroha Camp
University of Waikato Chaplaincy Committee
Waikato Cathedral Chapter
Waikato Diocesan Trust Board
Waikato Regional Forum
WINTEC Ecumenical Chaplaincy Provider Trust Board

CARRIED

9.26am PRESENTATION: Update on the Diocesan Road Map
The Most Reverend Philip Richardson and The Right Reverend Dr Helen-Ann Hartley

As part of this the Bishops announced that there would be a Special Synod held to consider the reports on and the future of Te Rau Aroha Camp on Saturday 20th January, 2018 at Te Kuiti, with morning tea from 10am and Synod in session 10.30am-12.30pm and 1.00pm-3.00pm.

10.26am PRESENTATION: Trust Management Limited
Mr Simon Cayley, Senior Executive Manager-designate, Diocese of Waikato and Taranaki.

10.47am Synod adjourned for morning tea.

11.35am Synod reconvened.

Motion No. 3: Adoption of Waikato Diocesan Trust Board General Purpose Financial Statements for 2016.

Mover: Mrs Elizabeth Bang
Seconded: Canon Gerald Bailey

“That this Synod approves the audited General Purpose Financial Statements of the Waikato Diocesan Trust Board, for the year ended 31 December 2016.”

CARRIED

Motion No. 4: Adoption of Diocese of Waikato and Taranaki General Purpose Financial Statements for 2016.

Mover: Archdeacon Malcolm French
Seconded: The Reverend Jason Grainger

“That this Synod approves the audited General Purpose Financial Statements of the Diocese of Waikato and Taranaki for the year ended 31 December 2016.”

CARRIED

Motion No.5: Adoption of 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016 Taranaki Anglican Trust Board Financial Statements.

Mover: Mr Ross Smith
Seconded: Mrs Joan Honeyfield

“That this Synod approves the audited Special Purpose Financial Statements for 2013, 2014 and 2015, and the audited General Purpose Financial Statement for 2016, of the Taranaki Anglican Trust Board.”

CARRIED

Motion No. 6: Funding Standing Committee Operations – Approval of 2018 Budget.

Mover: Canon Gerald Bailey
Seconded: Archdeacon Malcolm French

“That for the year 2018 this Synod agrees to a Diocesan Budget for Standing Committee operations of \$732,000.00 allocated in accordance with details contained in the budget, with \$651,000.00 of this sum to be provided by assessments, with the proviso that the necessary adjustment of the CPI figure be applied to the Chaplaincy figure as moved at a previous synod.”

CARRIED

Motion No. 7: Assessments 2018 – Approval of Schedule

Mover: Canon Gerald Bailey
Seconded: The Reverend Jason Grainger

“That Parish Diocesan Assessments for the year 2018 be set according to the schedule of percentages for 2017, as detailed in the Synod papers, provided that these percentages are to be applied to the total assessments’ sum for 2016 as set by Synod.”

CARRIED

Motion No. 8: Funding the 2018 Ministry Support Fund

Mover: Canon Gerald Bailey
Seconded: Mrs Cheryl Anderson

“That this Synod requests Standing Committee to fund the Ministry Support Fund, to be calculated at the equivalent of the basic Vicar’s stipend and contributed to by all parishes, Parish Districts and Mission Districts per annum using the same formula as used for Assessments.”

CARRIED

Motion No. 9: Mission Target 2018

Mover: The President of Synod

“That for the year 2018 the target for Overseas Missions remain at \$210,000.00.”

CARRIED

12.20pm PRESENTATION: Mr David Lawson, Christian World Service.

12.35pm Midday Prayer

12.45pm Synod adjourned for lunch

1.30pm Synod reconvened

PRESENTATION: The Most Reverend Philip Richardson and the Right Reverend Dr Helen-Ann Hartley: Report of the ‘A Way Forward Working Group: General Synod / te Hīnota Whānui 2016’.

2.55pm PRESENTATION: Mr Simon Cayley,
Chief Executive Officer,
Bishop’s Action Foundation:
Catalyst Housing Project

3.10pm Synod adjourned for afternoon tea

3.37pm Synod reconvened

SECOND READING OF BILL

Bill No. 1: The Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Bill 2017

Moved: Canon Dr Bryan Bang

Seconded: Canon Gerald Bailey

“That Synod move into Committee to consider Bill No 1.”

CARRIED

3.38pm SYNOD IN COMMITTEE

THE MISCELLANEOUS STATUTES AMENDMENT BILL 2017

The Synod of the Diocese of Waikato and Taranaki enacts as follows –

1. TITLE

This Statute is The Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Statute 2017.

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this Statute is to make minor amendments to various Statutes, to clarify or amend provisions, or to correct errors.

3. COMMENCEMENT

Clauses 4(1) and 4(2) of this Statute shall come into force at the close of the last session of Synod in 2018. The remaining clauses of this Statute shall come into force at the close of the Synod at which it is enacted.

4. THE PARISHES STATUTE 2009

- (1) Clauses 10 (2) and 10 (3) are amended by deleting the word “annually” and replacing it with the words “at the annual general meeting prior to the first session of each Synod.”
- (2) Clause 10 (6) is amended by deleting the words “at an annual or special general meeting each year” and replacing with the words “at the annual general meeting prior to the first session of each Synod.”
- (3) Clause 10 (8) is amended by deleting the words “Standing Committee in consultation with the relevant Archdeacon,” and replacing them with the word “Bishops”.
- (4) Clause 30 is amended by deleting the words “recognised by the General Synod/te Hīnota Whānui”.
- (5) Clause 30 (2) (b) is amended by deleting the word “does” and replacing it with the word “must”.

5. THE ARCHDEACONRY STATUTE 2006

- (1) The Schedule to the Archdeaconry Statute 2006 is amended by deleting the words “for a period of five years”.
- (2) The Schedule to the Archdeaconry Statute 2006 is further amended by adding, after the words “as they exist from time to time” (or alternatively) have stipulated the task(s) for which she/he shall be responsible”.

6. THE WAIKATO AND TARANAKI DIOCESAN STATUTE OF SYNOD 2014

Clause 6 (1) is amended by adding an additional paragraph “(o) Licensed Lay ministers who, pursuant to a contract of employment with the Bishops, are appointed by them as lay leaders of a district or districts.”

7. THE WAIKATO DIOCESAN STATUTE OF PASTORS 1993

A new clause 16 is added as follows:-

REGULATIONS – The Standing Committee of the Diocese may make regulations under this Statute for any administrative purpose at any ordinary or special meeting.”

3.45pm “That Synod move out of Committee.”

CARRIED

SYNOD OUT OF COMMITTEE

The Chairperson of Synod in Committee reported to the President that Synod had considered Bill No. 1 and had passed the same without amendments.

“That the decision of the Synod in Committee be the decision of the whole Synod.”

CARRIED

“That the third reading be an order of the day for tomorrow.”

CARRIED

3.47pm **PRESENTATION:** The Venerable Paul Weeding and The Very Reverend Peter Rickman:
Pilgrimage to Kuching

4.28pm **PRESENTATION:** The Very Reverend Peter Beck
The Taranaki Cathedral of St. Mary:
Cathedral Remediation

4.44pm The Synod Secretary gave notices.

4.45pm Evening Worship.

5.12pm Synod adjourned until 8.30am Sunday morning.

MINUTES OF THE THIRD DAY

SUNDAY 15TH OCTOBER, 2017

VENUE WAR MEMORIAL CENTRE, STRATFORD

8.30am THE PRESIDENTS' WELCOME

MORNING WORSHIP was led by the Synod Chaplains the Reverends Mele Prescott and Vincent Nuku.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Synod Secretary gave notices.

8.55am **Motion:** "That Nominations for General Synod representatives be re-opened."

Mover: The President of Synod.

CARRIED

9.20am **Motion:** "That Standing Orders be suspended."

Mover: The Chancellor

Seconder: Bishop Helen-Ann Hartley

CARRIED

FIRST READING OF BILL XI

Bill No XI The (Temporary) Members of General Synod Election Bill 2017

Mover: The Chancellor

Seconder: Bishop Helen-Ann Hartley

"That the principles of the Bill be approved and that the Bill be referred to Synod in Committee for consideration immediately."

CARRIED

9.21AM **SECOND READING OF BILL XI**

Bill No. XI: The (Temporary) Members of General Synod Election Bill 2017

Mover: The Chancellor
Seconded: Bishop Helen-Ann Hartley

“That Synod move into Committee to consider Bill No XI.”

CARRIED

9.23pm SYNOD IN COMMITTEE

**THE (TEMPORARY) MEMBERS OF GENERAL SYNOD ELECTION
BILL 2017**

The Synod of the Diocese of Waikato and Taranaki enacts as follows -

1. **TITLE**
This Statute is The (Temporary) Members of General Synod Election Statute 2017.
2. **PURPOSE**
The purpose of this Statute is to make better provision for the election of members of General Synod in 2017.
3. **ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF GENERAL SYNOD**
Nominations for election to the General Synod may be made in writing to the Synod secretary until 11.00 am, Sunday 15 October 2017.
4. **REPEAL**
This statute shall cease to have effect at the conclusion of Synod 2017.

9.23am “That Synod move out of Committee.”

CARRIED

SYNOD OUT OF COMMITTEE

The Chairperson of Synod in Committee reported to the President that Synod had considered Bill No. XI and had passed the same without amendments.

“That the decision of the Synod in Committee be the decision of the whole Synod.”

CARRIED

“That the third reading be done immediately.”

CARRIED

9.24am

THIRD READING OF BILL XI

Motion: "That Bill XI be read a third time."

Mover: The Chancellor

Seconder: Bishop Helen-Ann Hartley

CARRIED

THIRD READING OF BILL NO. 1

Motion: "That Bill No. 1 be read a third time."

Mover: Canon Dr Bryan Bang

Seconder: Canon Gerald Bailey

CARRIED

9.25am

PRESENTATION Mr Michael Hartfield
Anglican Missions Board

9.55am

Motion no. 10: Selwyn Foundation: Social and Affordable Housing

"That this Synod urgently writes to the Selwyn Foundation with its concerns about housing (rentals* and owned) for elderly people in Hamilton and Cambridge and enquires of the Selwyn Foundation what is its strategy regarding increasing the availability of social and affordable ** housing, within Selwyn St Andrew's, their two other complexes in Hamilton, Wilson Carlile and Sunningdale, and any possible new initiatives in the Waikato. This Synod urges the Standing Committee to follow up with the Foundation; and looks to receiving a full report to the next Synod."

*Rentals need to be long-term and secure.

**Affordable means affordable for an elderly person on National Superannuation with no other income or significant savings.

Mover: The Reverend Juliet Drage

Seconder: The Reverend Mary Maxwell

Explanation

At our Synod of 2016, the Diocese voted to look to find ways to increase social and affordable housing in this Diocese and proactively engage in initiative to achieve this.

The trend for Selwyn St Andrew's in Cambridge appears to be one of significantly reducing affordable rental units and increasing the number of Occupation Right Agreement (ORA) units, thereby catering less for people of varying means.

Like many communities, Cambridge has been experiencing rapid increase in house prices. Consequently rents have increased

markedly. Houses are sold to make profit and often a sitting tenant is given notice to leave.

The Cambridge Committee of Social Services has become increasingly concerned, especially for the elderly. In one instance last year, an older person had to move four times within twelve months due to their rental being sold. The happy ending was that Selwyn St. Andrew's was able to offer them a rental unit so that they now have some security of tenure. Finding affordable housing is exhausting for anyone, especially for the elderly.

Selwyn St Andrew's is adjacent to the Anglican Parish Church in Cambridge. The first units were originally built on church land and administered by the church but the village is now owned and managed by The Selwyn Foundation. Selwyn St Andrew's has 65 villas but only nine rental units left and as a person leaves the policy appears to be that the unit is refurbished and available for ORA only, with an entry and exit payment plus monthly costs. There is a waiting list for rentals. It is unknown how many rental units they will keep available. Within their new building all eleven apartments have been for sale as ORAs and all rest home rooms have an ensuite, thus incurring an extra charge of \$140 per week, not funded by government rest home payments.

As units cease to be available to rent, so there is less opportunity to provide affordable housing to those in need.

CARRIED

Motion No. 11: Te Rau Aroha Camp

"That this Synod notes the reports given on Te Rau Aroha Camp and commends:

1. the work being carried out by the management, in particular the numbers of young people being encouraged in their faith journey whilst attending our camp; and
2. the projected financial recovery;
3. and enthusiastically encourages the Diocese to continue the ownership and financial commitment to this vital aspect of proclamation in the community.

Mover: The Reverend Florence Chambers

Seconder: Mr Bob Delbridge

Moved: "That part 3 of this motion be deferred until a Special Session of Synod to be held on January 20th, 2018 in Te Kuiti, to discuss the future of Te Rau Aroha Camp."

Mover: The President of Synod

CARRIED

Parts 1 and 2 of the motion were then put and **CARRIED**.

10.45am Synod adjourned for morning tea.

11.15am Synod reconvened.

Elections for General Synod and Standing Committee – Clergy only.

11.25am **PRESENTATION:** Video prepared by Diocesan Students at St. John's College.

Standing Committee Election results:

Clergy: Archdeacon Malcolm French
The Reverend Canon Pat Scaife
The Reverend Chee Keong Yong

Laity: Canon Dr. Bryan Bang
Mrs Susan MacLean
Mr Allan Tanner

General Synod Representatives' Election results – Ballot 1:

Clergy:	The Reverend Paul Bowers-Mason	8
	The Reverend Juliet Drage	6
	The Venerable Malcolm French	15
	The Reverend Christine Hunn	2
	The Reverend Andrew McKean	14
	The Reverend Jacqui Paterson	16
	The Reverend Stephen Prebble	12
	The Reverend Mele Prescott	10
	The Reverend Vacion Rae	6
	Canon Pat Scaife	8
	The Reverend Helene Young	4

Laity:	Mrs Cheryl Anderson	31
	Canon Bryan Bang	47
	Chancellor Chris Harding	52
	Mrs Pip Harrison	27
	Mrs Jessica Lilley	28
	Mrs Miriam Millson	5
	Mrs Elaine Ruth Reed	7
	Mrs Heather Rodley	6
	Mr Allan Tanner	15

The Chancellor ruled that in order for General Synod Representatives to be elected they needed to receive more than 50% of the votes in their house. For this election that meant a Clerical representative

needed to receive more than 30 votes and a Lay representative 40 votes.

Therefore in this ballot no Clerical representatives were elected and Canon Bryan Bang and Chancellor Chris Harding were elected as Lay representatives.

This means that another ballot was necessary to seek to elect one further Lay Representative and two Clergy Representatives.

Prior to the Second Ballot being held the Reverends Paul Bowers-Mason, Juliet Drage, Christine Hunn and Helene Young; and Mesdames Miriam Millson and Heather Rodley withdrew themselves as candidates.

12.15pm PRESENTATION: Mr Simon Cayley, Senior Executive Manager-designate, Diocese of Waikato and Taranaki, on his new position and the review of Diocesan Administration.

General Synod Representatives' Election results – Ballot 2:

Clergy:	The Venerable Malcolm French	15
	The Reverend Andrew McKean	13
	The Reverend Jacqui Paterson	26
	The Reverend Stephen Prebble	17
	The Reverend Mele Prescott	15
	The Reverend Vacion Rae	9
	Canon Pat Scaife	15
Laity:	Mrs Cheryl Anderson	20
	Mrs Pip Harrison	22
	Mrs Jessica Lilley	24
	Mrs Elaine Ruth Reed	2
	Mr Allan Tanner	7

As no candidate in either house achieved the necessary number of votes to be elected, a third ballot was called for.

12.35pm Midday Prayer

12.45pm Synod adjourned for lunch

1.30pm Synod reconvened

General Synod Representatives' Election

Prior to the third ballot being held the Venerable Malcolm French, the Reverend Vacion Rae and Mrs Elaine Ruth Reed withdrew themselves as candidates.

1.45pm PRESENTATION: The Reverend Stephen Black, Waikato Ministry Educator, Diocesan Director of Vocations, on 2018: Children, Youth and Family.

2.05pm General Synod Representatives' Election results – Ballot 3:

Clergy:	The Reverend Andrew McKean	20
	The Reverend Jacqui Paterson	41
	The Reverend Stephen Prebble	28
	The Reverend Mele Prescott	11
	The Reverend Canon Pat Scaife	9

Laity:	Mrs Cheryl Anderson	18
	Mrs Pip Harrison	25
	Mrs Jessica Lilley	27
	Mr Allan Tanner	2

Therefore the Reverend Jacqui Paterson was elected as a Clergy Representative.

A further ballot is needed to elect one further Clergy Representative and one further Lay Representative.

2.10pm Motion: “That we adjourn the election process until the Special Session of Synod on 20th January, 2018 so that a Bill may be drawn up and enacted that revises the Statutes on elections so that Standing Committee and General Synod / te Hīnota Whānui representatives are consistent and so that those elected are the top polling nominees rather than having to get 50% of the house they are representing.”

Mover: The President

CARRIED

2.15pm Motion: “That the ballot papers be destroyed.”

Mover: Mr Roy Hotter
Seconded: The Venerable Ross Falconer

CARRIED

2.16pm Motion No. 12: A Vote of Thanks.

A Vote of thanks was proposed and spoken to by the Mover and Seconded.

Mover: The Venerable Ross Falconer
Seconded: The Venerable Trevor Harrison

2.25pm **Closing Prayer**

2.40pm **Synod adjourned** until Saturday 20th January, 2018 at Te Kuiti.

MINUTES OF THE FOURTH DAY

SATURDAY 20TH JANUARY, 2018

VENUE ST LUKE'S, TE KUITI

10.10 am SYNOD EUCHARIST

11.00 am THE PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

The Archbishop welcomed the Synod and shared greetings from The Right Reverend Dr. Helen-Anne Hartley and The Most Reverend David Moxon.

CONSTITUTION OF SYNOD (continuation)

The Synod Secretary, declared that, pursuant to Clause 14(2) of the Waikato and Taranaki Diocesan Statute 2014, with one Bishop, 50 Clergy and 66 Lay Synod Representatives present, there was a quorum for the continuation of the First Session of the Thirty-Ninth Synod.

11.05 am **Motion from the President:**

"That speaking rights be extended to Mrs Elizabeth Bang and Mrs Cathy Franzoi."

CARRIED

11.05 am The Chancellor reported that changes were being considered to the Statutes concerning elections but that it was not proper to change the process in the middle of an election.

11.06 am **Election Candidates**

The Reverend Jacqui Paterson, Canon Dr Bryan Bang and Judge Chris Harding having already been elected, a further election for a single representative for each house (clergy and lay) to General Synod was needed.

The Reverend Cheryl Anderson had withdrawn her nomination.

Nominees were introduced. They were:

Clergy: The Reverend Andrew McKean
The Reverend Stephen Prebble
The Reverend Mele Prescott

Lay: Mrs Pip Harrison
Mrs Jessica Lilley
Mr Allan Tanner

The Reverend Canon Pat Scaife

The fourth ballot was taken.

11.19 am Motion No. 13: Te Rau Aroha Camp

Mover: The Venerable Trevor Harrison

Seconder: Mr Peter Maxwell

“That this Synod supports the decision of the Waikato Diocesan Trust Board to sell the Diocesan Camp site.”

The Archbishop expressed the important place the Camp had had in the life of many in the diocese and appreciation of all those who had supported the camp over the years, as well as The Venerable Trevor Harrison and Mr Peter Maxwell for accepting the task of moving and seconding the motion.

He assured the Synod that, should a decision be made that meant the Camp brought in money, it was his personal view that the only debt this would be used to address would be the Camp’s own. He suggested that a Synod would discuss how any remaining money would be used.

The Archbishop asked that the Standing Orders be suspended to allow the immediate answering of questions, where appropriate and this was allowed.

The Chancellor spoke about the roles of the Synod and the Trust Board. The Trust Board was the legal owner of the Camp. Its role was to act in the interest of the diocese of the whole. The Synod’s role was to provide insight into what the diocese wanted to do. Both sides needed to listen to the work of the other.

The Archbishop confirmed that the Trust Board would be legally bound to consider any serious option proposed, even if Synod were to vote to sell the Camp.

11.36 am Elections for General Synod – The results of the fourth ballot were read.

Clergy: The Reverend Andrew McKean	22
The Reverend Stephen Prebble	33
The Reverend Mele Prescott	5

	The Reverend Canon Pat Scaife	8
Lay:	Mrs Pip Harrison	28
	Mrs Jessica Lilley	24
	Mr Allan Tanner	19

The Reverend Mele Prescott and The Reverend Canon Pat Scaife withdrew their nominations and the Archbishop thanked them for their willingness to stand.

The fifth ballot was taken.

The results of the fifth ballot were read.

Clergy:	The Reverend Andrew McKean	28
	The Reverend Stephen Prebble	40

The Reverend Stephen Prebble was declared elected.

The results of the lay ballot were:

Mrs Pip Harrison	34
Mrs Jessica Lilley	25
Mr Allan Tanner	13

11.43 am The Venerable Trevor Harrison moved Motion No. 13 and spoke to the motion, suggesting the season for Diocesan camps was over and youth ministry could be addressed in other ways. The practical leadership and finances required were beyond current resources and that the due diligence done by the Trust Board supported this. Mr Peter Maxwell seconded the motion, commending Mrs Cathy Franzoi and her family for their work and acknowledging the place of camps in his own life. He pinpointed the presence of God, the leadership of the camps and the environment (rather than the actual location) as the key factors in their importance to him. He went over the financial situation of the camp.

Mrs Elizabeth Bang spoke on behalf of the Trust Board. She expressed appreciation of the staff. Mrs Bang spoke about the advisors the Trust Board had used in the due diligence process. She outlined various options that had been investigated and the eventual conclusion that selling was the only practical one.

12.14 pm **Elections for General Synod**

The sixth ballot for a lay representative to General Synod was taken,

Mr Allan Tanner having withdrawn his nomination. The Archbishop thanked Mr Tanner for his previous service and willingness to serve.

12.17 pm Motion No. 13 – Te Rau Aroha (ctd)

Canon Reverend Pat Scaife spoke in support of the motion, underlining, however, the need to provide a new model for youth work, regardless of whether it was at the camp or not.

Mrs Cathy Franzoi spoke against the motion, sharing the numbers of those who have had the opportunity to hear the gospel at the camp and pointing out that modern youth also enjoyed camping. She asked Synod to consider the value of the Camp to those attending and, if it were to be sold, asked that it be sold within the Christian community.

Motion: “That this Synod appreciates the work of Mrs Cathy Franzoi at Te Rau Aroha Camp.”

Mover: The Venerable Val Riches

Seconder: The Reverend Canon Pat Scaife

CARRIED

Elections for General Synod

The results of the sixth lay ballot were:

Mrs Pip Harrison 48

Mrs Jessica Lilley 24

Mrs Pip Harrison was declared elected as a lay representative.

Motion: “That the ballot papers be destroyed.”

Mover: Mrs Elizabeth Bang

Seconder: Mrs Cheryl Anderson

CARRIED

12.30 pm Synod adjourned for lunch.

1.02 pm Synod reconvened.

Continuation of Motion No. 13 - Te Rau Aroha Camp

“That this Synod supports the decision of the Waikato Diocesan Trust Board to sell the Diocesan Camp site.”

The Chancellor underlined that the motion did not preclude proposals by other groups that might be made. The Board would be obliged to consider any such proposals.

Motion by way of addition:

“and Standing Committee and the Diocesan Trust Board bring to Synod 2018 proposals for the utilisation of the net proceeds of sale.”

Moved: The Venerable Ross Falconer

Seconder: The Reverend Peter Minson

CARRIED

The Rev'd John Marcon noted that the underpayment of the Camp Manager should be taken into account when the distribution of any moneys was decided.

There was a query as to whether the camp had been acquired in a way that constrained how any money be used. The Chancellor reported that it had been purchased in 1952 for use as a youth camp. It was unclear whether this created a clear trust for it to be used for youth. The Archbishop said the past history with regard to tangata whenua would be looked into.

The amendment was passed.

1.45 pm After speakers had spoken both for and against and questions had been answered, the Archbishop asked for a straw vote on the motion.

The discussion was adjourned.

1.49 pm The Chancellor took the Chair.

Motion No. 14: Shared Episcopacy

Mover: The Most Reverend Philip Richardson

Seconder: The Venerable Trevor Harrison

“That this Synod:

1. Acknowledges the commitment of the Diocese of Waikato and Taranaki to a model of shared episcopacy.
2. Notwithstanding this commitment, resolves not to move to the discernment and nomination of the next Bishop of Waikato until there is clear financial provision for two bishops in the Diocese.
3. Agrees that it will review that decision at every Synod until it is satisfied that the financial position of the Diocese enables it to provide for two bishops.”

2.05 pm Synod was adjourned, while a Synod member's health was attended to.

2.18 pm Synod reconvened.

Motion No. 14 was put.

CARRIED

2.25 pm **FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD READINGS OF BILL XX:**

The Shared Diocesan Episcopacy Statute Amendment Bill 2017

Mover: The Most Reverend Philip Richardson

Seconder: Mr Allan Tanner

The First Reading of the Bill was put.

CARRIED

Motion: "That Synod goes into committee to consider the detail of the Bill."

CARRIED

The Second Reading of Bill XX.

Mrs Cheryl Anderson took the Chair for the Second reading of Bill XX.

"The Synod of the Diocese of Waikato and Taranaki enacts as follows:

1. **TITLE**

This Statute is the Shared Diocesan Episcopacy Statute Amendment Statute 2017

2. **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Statute is to add a clause to the Shared Diocesan Episcopacy Statute 2007 to clarify the position when a Bishop is absent from his or her Bishopric or when there is a vacancy in one of the Bishoprics.

3. **COMMENCEMENT**

This Statute shall come into force at the close of the session of the Synod at which it is enacted.

4. **NEW CLAUSE**

This Statute amends clause 5 of the Shared Diocesan Episcopacy Statute 2007 by adding to it a new sub-clause as follows:

(4) Notwithstanding the foregoing, during the absence of a Bishop from New Zealand or during an interregnum the other Bishop shall be the sole Diocesan Bishop as well as the Bishop of each Bishopric.”

Motion: “That the Title, Purpose and Commencement be set aside for later consideration and the new clause and addition of sub-clause (4) be considered in detail.”

CARRIED

Motion: “That the new clause with the addition of sub-clause (4) be passed.”

CARRIED

Motion: “That the Purpose and Commencement of Bill XX be passed.”

CARRIED

Motion: “That the Bill as a whole be passed.”

CARRIED

Motion: “That the decision of the Synod be reported to the Chancellor.”

CARRIED

Such report was made.

Motion: “That Synod move out of committee.”

CARRIED

Motion: “That the decisions of Synod in committee be the decisions of Synod.”

CARRIED

Motion: “That the third reading of Bill XX be the order of the day before Synod closes.”

CARRIED

2.32. pm

Completion of Motion No. 13 - Te Rau Aroha Camp

After further speakers and five minutes for silent prayer, the Archbishop asked for any further discernments, which were given.

2.58 pm

The mover used his right of reply. The motion was put.

CARRIED

The Archbishop spoke of a sense of regret rather than joy around the decision, and thankfulness for the life of the camp. Silence was held and a waiata sung.

3.02 pm **Third reading of Bill XX**
Motion: "That Bill XX be read a third time."
Mover: The President of Synod.

CARRIED

2.55 pm **Closing Prayer**

3.00 pm **Synod closed**