

# **REPORT TO THE 2013 SYNOD FROM THE STANDING COMMITTEE FOR THE PERIOD COMMENCING MAY 2012 AND ENDING JULY 2013**

## **MEMBERSHIP**

The Right Reverend David Rice	Miss Alison Thompson
The Vicar General the Reverend Brian Hamilton	Ms Susanna Shelton
The Reverend Jo Crosse	Mr Ray James
The Reverend Alex Czerwonka	Mr Hugh McBain (President)
Reverend Joan Edmundson	Mr Brian Watkins
The Reverend Ron Elder	
Reverend Erice Fairbrother	

## **MEETINGS**

Meetings were held at the Titoki Centre, Whakatane (16/17 November, 2012, Napier (25<sup>th</sup> February 2013), (2<sup>nd</sup> May 2013), (25<sup>th</sup> July 2013)

## **PRESIDENT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE**

High McBain was appointed to the role of President.

## **MA WHEA**

A comprehensive submission including a DVD filmed in the regions of the Diocese was prepared and presented to the Ma Whea Commission, by the working group earlier this year.

In preparation for the upcoming marriage hui in each of the three regions, a framework for hui discussions should be determined and theological resources etc. researched. The upcoming hui focused on the nature of marriage will be some of the most important gatherings the Diocese has known.

The Committee endorsed Bishop David's intention to construct a statement outlining Waiapu's stance on marriage.

## **PORTFOLIOS**

Portfolios were assigned to each member of Standing Committee to take responsibility for oversight and report back on their assigned area.

Miss Alison Thompson	Anglican Schools, Cathedral
The Vicar General the Reverend Brian Hamilton	Stipended Paid (Lay) Ministry
Ms Susanna Shelton	Ma Whea Commission
The Reverend Jo Crosse	GS Standing Committee, Ma Whea Commission
Mr Ray James	Social Justice and Care of Creation Issues
The Reverend Alex Czerwonka	Earthquake Issues, Revision of Canons, Liaison with Chaplains (except School)
Mr Hugh McBain (President)	IDCCG, TPMC, Overseas Missions
Reverend Joan Edmundson	Social Justice and Care of Creation Issues, Youth and Families Group

Mr Brian Watkins	Finance, Communications, Social Services
The Reverend Ron Elder	Social Justice and Care of Creation Issues
Reverend Erice Fairbrother	Ma Whea Commission

### **FINANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Russell Williams retired from the Finance Advisory Sub Committee.

Mr Brian Watkins and Mr David Ritchie were appointed to sit alongside Mr Hugh MCBain (Chair) and Mr Alistair Gibson, for the next two years.

### **CANON REVIEW**

Following the decision at Synod 2012 to review all Canons over the next two years, a group was formed to do this. The first step of the process was to formulate Guidelines as to the structure of the reviewed Canons. The Guidelines give a template for the Structure and a process for review of each Canon. These Guidelines will be presented to Synod in 2013 for ratification.

The first Canon to be reviewed is Canon 11 of the Standing Committee. The Bill to amend this Canon will also come to Synod 2013.

### **WASSTB REVIEW**

Following the review of Waiapu Social Services and Anglican Care Ltd the 'Proposed Organisation Change Paper' was presented to Standing Committee for Endorsement.

The following was resolved:

'The Committee endorses the Waiapu Social Services and Anglican Care Ltd Proposed Organisation Change Paper'.

### **STIPEND REVIEW**

An increase of 1.6% to the stipends was approved from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2013.

### **MEETINGS BETWEEN STANDING COMMITTEE AND HUI AMORANGI**

The committee had another fruitful meeting with representatives from Manawa O Te Wheke and Tairawhiti at Titoki in November. Once again the topic of resource sharing was discussed and although not much progress had been made there was still a commitment to working toward this.

All agreed that the meeting was worthwhile and should be held at least biannually.

### **MINUTES**

Extracts from the business of the Committee are now being published on an on going basis in the 'Latest News' on the website. In accordance with the Diocesan Canons the minutes of the Committee are tabled at each Synod and are available for perusal.