

RESOLUTIONS OF SYNOD 2019

1. Speaking Rights

That speaking, but non-voting rights, for the duration of this session of Synod, are granted to the following persons:

Ms Jen Lockwood	Interim Diocesan Social Services Enabler
Mrs Sue Fallow	Diocesan Children's and Families Enabler
Mr Wayne Harding	Diocesan Finance Manager
Ms Rachel Boyack	Health and Safety Co-ordinator
Mr Jeremy Johnson	Chancellor, Diocese of Christchurch
Mr Michael Hatfield	Anglican Missions

2. Diocesan Reports

That the Diocesan Reports as tabled be received.

3. The Budget

1. That the report of the 2020 budget be received.
2. That the 2020 budget be approved.
3. That the schedule of Parish and Mission Units Quotas for 2020 be approved.

4. Diocesan Missions Quota 2020

That this Synod accepts the recommendation of the DOMC that the 2020 Anglican Missions funding be set at \$110,000.

5. Spiritual Rest and Retreat

Whereas this Synod in 2018 agreed that a working group be formed with the explicit purpose of creating a proposal on how the Nelson Diocese can develop a culture of regular spiritual rest and retreat for clergy and lay leaders that will be presented to Synod in 2019

And Whereas a working group was formed but unforeseen circumstances prevented the group from being convened and considering this matter in time for the 2019 Synod

That this Synod agree to an extension in time for reporting back until Synod 2020.

6. Motion Against the Use of Pub Charities Funding

Lost

7. The Abortion Legislation Bill 2019

The Anglican Diocese of Nelson is concerned about the ramifications of the Abortion Legislation Bill as it currently stands. And this Synod affirms:

- That the rights of the fetus/unborn child must be considered in any new legislation
- That abortion and the choice to abort is not the same as other medical procedures and choices, and so must be undertaken with the highest level of medical practice, controls, reporting and support services
- That late-term abortions should be utilised only when absolutely necessary, requiring a higher level of safeguards and control since the date of the abortion may potentially overlap with the availability of life saving medical practice.
- That as Christians, we speak the truth in love (Eph 4:15). We are committed to supporting the unborn child, and mothers - those who choose not to abort and those that do make this choice.

And advice of adoption of this motion be sent to The Hon. Andrew Little, the territorial MPs of the Diocese, and The Abortion Legislation Committee Secretariat.

Motion of Thanks:

That this Synod express its grateful thanks to Mr Wayne Harding (Diocesan Financial Manager), and to all his staff, and to Mrs Margaret Soderberg (Chair of the Diocesan Finance Team) for their dedication in the management and reporting of the financial affairs of the diocese, and for the willing and able support that they give to parishes.

Motion of Thanks:

Noting the Certificate of Appreciation set out on page 26 of the yearbook relating to Mr David Allpress, and paragraph 1.3 of the Trust Board's report on page 73:

This synod expresses its gratitude to Mr David Allpress for his devotion to his church and this Diocese and in particular, 35 years on Nelson Diocesan Trust Board and many years on the Diocesan Finance Team and his help over many years to a lot of parishes and parishioners, and gives thanks that he is prepared to continue providing wise counsel to the Diocese and its parishes and to the chair of the Nelson Diocesan Trust Board.

Motion of Affirmation: to affirm our new bishop

That the clergy of this diocese are fully supportive of our new Bishop Steve
And we are excited by the vision he has begun to articulate
And we look forward to working with him on this adventure.