# THE ANGLICAN CHURCH IN AOTEAROA, NEW ZEALAND & POLYNESIA The 65th Session of the General Synod/te Hīnota Whānui 2022 Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2022

### **Morning Prayer and Bible Study**

Morning Prayer was led by the Very Rev'd Graham O'Brien. The bible reflection was led by the Youth Stewards.

The General Synod/te Hīnota Whānui was convened at 9am with the Most Rev'd Don Tamihere in the chair.

## Apologies

Ms Ema Weepu (for part of first session).

## **Notices and Announcements**

There were no notices or announcements.

The Presidents welcomed the Most Rev'd Philip Freier to chair the session that deals with Bill No 9 – A Bill to Amend Title E Canon II of St John's College and the Utilisation of the St John's College Trust Funds 2022. They also welcomed Ms Miriam Deans KC, Mr Doug Martin, Dr Nicola Hoggard, Mr Simon Heath and Dr Emily Colgan, who addressed the Synod/te Hīnota Whānui on Bill 9.

## Bill No 9

A Bill intituled, "A Bill to Amend Title E Canon II of St John's College and the Utilisation of the St Johns College Trust Funds, 2022"

On the motion of the Most Rev'd Philip Richardson, seconded by the Most Rev'd Don Tamihere Synod/ Hīnota moved into Committee to consider the principle of the Bill.

The Most Rev'd Philip Freier presided over debate in Committee.

Synod/Hīnota in Committee adjourned at 12.03pm at the request of Tikanga Māori to caucus.

Synod/Hīnota resumed.

Synod in Committee reported to Synod/Hīnota that debate on the principle of Bill No 9 had been adjourned, and the Committee sought leave to sit again.

On the motion of the Most Rev'd Philip Richardson from the Chair, the report of Committee was received and leave given to sit again.

The Presidents welcomed the Ministry Standards Commissioners Ms Dianne Cameron and Ms Mele Taliai, who addressed the Synod/te Hīnota on Bill 12.

#### Bill No 12

A Bill intituled "A Bill to Amend Title D, Canons I, II, III and V, 2022"

On the motion of the Most Rev'd Don Tamihere, seconded by the Most Rev'd Philip Richardson the principle of the Bill was agreed to by Synod/Hīnota.

Synod/Hīnota moved into Committee to consider the Bill.

Synod/Hīnota resumed.

Synod in Committee reported to Synod/Hinota that Bill No 12 has been passed with amendment.

On the motion of the Most Rev'd Philip Richardson from the Chair, that the decision of Committee was taken as the decision of Synod/Hīnota. Agreed

The third reading be an order of the day for Friday.

On the motion of the President, leave be given to suspend the Standing Orders so that nominations close at midday Friday. Agreed

## Bill No 9

A Bill intituled "A Bill to Amend Title E Canon II of St John's College and the Utilisation of the St John's College Trust Funds, 2002"

On the motion of the Most Rev'd Philip Richardson, seconded by the Most Rev'd Don Tamihere, the principle of Bill 9 was agreed to by Synod/Hīnota.

Synod/Hīnota moved into Committee to further consider Bill 9.

Synod/Hīnota resumed.

Synod in Committee reported to Synod/Hinota that Bill No 9 has been passed with amendment.

On the motion of the Most Rev'd Philip Richardson from the Chair, that the decision of Committee was taken as the decision of Synod/Hīnota with the confirmation of the Bill to be an order of the day for Friday. Agreed

### Bill No 10

A Bill intituled, "A Bill to Amend 'The Liturgies of the Eucharist,' 2022"

On the motion of the Rt Rev'd Te Kitohi Pikaahu, seconded by the Rev'd Sione Ulu'ilakepa, the principle of the Bill was agreed to by Synod/Hīnota.

Synod/Hīnota moved into Committee to consider the Bill.

Synod/Hīnota resumed.

Synod in Committee reported to Synod/Hinota that Bill No 10 has been passed without amendment.

On the motion of the Most Rev'd Philip Richardson from the Chair, that the decision of Committee was taken as the decision of Synod / Hīnota. Agreed

### Bill No 11

A Bill intituled, "A Bill to Amend 'The Liturgies of the Word,' 2022"

On the motion of the Rev'd Clare Barrie, seconded by the Rev'd Canon Michael Wallace, the principle of the Bill was agreed to by Synod/Hīnota.

Synod/Hīnota moved into Committee to consider the Bill.

Synod/Hīnota resumed.

Synod in Committee reported to Synod/Hinota that Bill No 11 has been passed without amendment.

On the motion of the Most Rev'd Philip Richardson from the Chair, that the decision of Committee was taken as the decision of Synod/Hīnota. Agreed

### Bill No 13

A Bill intituled, "A Bill to Amend Title F Canon V 'Of The General Church Trust Board,' 2022"

On the motion of Mr Selwyn Parata, seconded by Mr John Whitehead, the principle of the Bill was agreed to by Synod/Hīnota.

Synod/Hīnota moved into Committee to consider the Bill.

Synod/Hīnota resumed.

Synod in Committee reported to Synod/Hinota that Bill No 13 has been passed without amendment.

On the motion of the Most Rev'd P Richardson from the Chair, that the decision of Committee was taken as the decision of Synod/Hīnota. Agreed

### Bill No 1

A Bill intituled, "A Bill to Amend Title B Canon X 'Of Archives and History,' 2022"

On the motion of the Rev'd Peter Bargh, seconded by the Rev'd Sione Ulu'ilakepa, the principle of the Bill was agreed to by Synod/Hīnota.

Synod/Hīnota moved into Committee to consider the Bill.

Synod/Hīnota resumed.

Synod in Committee reported to Synod/Hinota that Bill No 1 has been passed with amendment.

On the motion of the Most Rev'd Philip Richardson from the Chair, that the decision of Committee was taken as the decision of Synod/Hīnota. Agreed

### Bill No 2

A Bill intituled, "A Bill to Amend 'The Calendar Te Maramataka,' 2022"

On the motion of the Rev'd Sione Ulu'ilakepa, seconded by the Rt Rev'd Te Kitohi Pikaahu, the principle of the Bill was agreed to by Synod/Hīnota.

Synod/Hīnota moved into Committee to consider the Bill.

## Synod/Hīnota resumed.

Synod in Committee reported to Synod/Hinota that Bill No 2 has been passed without amendment.

On the motion of the Most Rev'd Philip Richardson from the Chair, that the decision of Committee was taken as the decision of Synod/Hīnota. Agreed

## Bill No 6

A Bill intituled, "A Bill to Amend Title B Canon XVIII 'Of The Council for Ecumenism,' 2022"

On the motion of the Rev'd Ivica Gregurec, seconded by the Rev'd Canon Michael Wallace, the principle of the Bill was agreed to by Synod/Hīnota.

Synod/Hīnota moved into Committee to consider the Bill.

Synod/Hīnota resumed.

Synod in Committee reported to Synod/Hīnota that Bill No 6 has been passed without amendment.

On the motion of the Most Rev'd Philip Richardson from the Chair, that the decision of Committee was taken as the decision of Synod/Hīnota. Agreed

### Motion #4

### St Stephens and Queen Victoria Schools Trust Board Trustees Appointment

Mover: The Rt Rev'd Te Kitohi Pikaahu Seconder: The Most Rev'd Don Tamihere

## That this General Synod/te Hinota Whānui 2022 resolves that:

In accordance with Standing Resolution SRA5(b) Ms Keringawai Evans and Mr Selwyn Parata are reappointed to the St Stephens and Queen Victoria Schools Trust Board.

Agreed

#### Motion #6

### Safe Church Charter

Mover: Mr Fei Tevi (ACC Rep)

Seconder: The Most Rev'd Philip Richardson

## Noting that General Synod/Te Hinota Whanui 2014 resolved:

## Motion 19 - Safety Charter and Policy Group

1.The Rev'd Jo Crosse2.Miss Rosa Filoi

## That this General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui 2014:

1. adopts the ACC-15 recommended 'Charter for the Safety of People within the Churches of the Anglican Communion' (as appended), and

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# Charter for the Safety of People within the Churches of the Anglican Communion

### Pastoral support where there is abuse

- **1.** We will provide pastoral support for the abused, their families, and affected parishes and church organisations by:
  - a. listening with patience and compassion to their experiences and concerns;
  - **b.** offering spiritual assistance and other forms of pastoral care.

### Effective responses to abuse

- **2.** We will have and implement policies and procedures to respond properly to allegations of abuse against clergy and other church personal that include:
  - **a.** making known within churches the procedure for making complaints;
  - **b.** arranging pastoral care for any person making a complaint of abuse;
  - the impartial determination of allegations of abuse against clergy and other church personnel, and assessment of their suitability for future ministry;
  - *d.* providing support for affected parishes and church organisations.

### Practice of pastoral ministry

**3.** We will adopt and promote, by education and training, standards for the practice of pastoral ministry by clergy and other personnel.

## Suitability for Ministry

**4.** We will have and implement policies and procedures to assess the suitability of persons for ordination as clergy or appointment to positions of responsibility in the church including checking their background.

## Culture of Safety

**5.** We will promote a culture of safety in parishes and church organisations by education and training to help clergy, other church personnel and participants prevent the occurrence of abuse.

## That this General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui 2022:

Pursuant to Title C Canon II Clause 5, moves into Committee to consider resolving to make the adoption of the 'Charter for the Safety of People within the Churches of the Anglican Communion' a Standing Resolution.

Synod/Hīnota moved into Committee to consider the motion.

## Synod/Hīnota resumed.

Synod in Committee reported to Synod/Hīnota that Motion No 6 has been passed without amendment.

On the motion of the Most Rev'd Don Tamihere from the Chair, that the decision of Committee was taken as the decision of Synod/Hīnota. Agreed

### Notices

Mr Feiloakitau Tevi sought leave to introduce a Motion without Notice for Friday "Sharing Three Tikanga Resources." Agreed

### **Evening Prayer**

The students from Bishopdale College led the evening prayer.

Session adjourned at 5.30pm.

Signed by the Presidents

The

P Richardson Primate and Archbishop

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