THE ANGLICAN CHURCH IN AOTEAROA, NEW ZEALAND & POLYNESIA 62nd Session of the General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui 2016

TUESDAY 10 May 2016

Synod/Hīnota reconvened at 8.15am. The Most Rev'd Philip Richardson in the Chair.

Morning Prayer

Morning Prayer was led by The Rev'd Deborah Broome at 8.15am.

Bible Study

Bible Study was led by Bishop John Pritchard at 8.30am, focused on Luke 12:13-21.

Apologies

The Most Rev'd Brown Turei, Mr Graham Miller, who had to leave early to attend his brother Bruce's funeral. Prayers were offered for Graham and his family.

General Notices & Directions

The General Secretary gave notices for the day.

Call for nominations

The General Secretary reminded Synod/Hīnota that nominations would close later today.

Tikanga Pākehā were reminded to provide their nominations for elections closing at 5.30pm and each Diocese was asked to meet at morning tea time to agree names.

The President advised that The Rt Rev'd Victoria Matthews and The Rt Rev'd Andrew Hedge had been appointed to the Working Group to review and revise Motion No 4 – A Way Forward. They join Pasefika members Mr Fe'iloakitau Tevi and Miss Rosa Filoi, and Māori members, The Rev'd Pane Kawhia and Ms Jacqui Chesley-Ingle.

The six members of the Working Group, and the legal advisor Mr Tony Hill were asked to stand in order to identify themselves to each other.

The Working Group were asked to have their work completed by Wednesday morning.

The Working Group advised that they would be meeting at lunch time.

Petitions

There were no petitions.

Reports

There were no reports.

Motions for leave to introduce Bills

There were no motions for leave to introduce Bills.

Notices of Motion

The Ven Wendy Scott sought leave of the Synod/te Hīnota to introduce a Motion – Bicultural Partnership.

Motion 23 Bicultural Partnership

1. The Ven W Scott

2. The Rev'd Dr R Nicholson

Preamble to MOTION

As an outcome of General Conference held on 6 May 2016 and given the aspirations of the Bicultural Commission on the Treaty of Waitangi as set out in the bicultural partnership SRBP 1 to 6.

MOTION

That General Synod/te Hīnota Whānui instructs the Treaty/Tiriti Church and Nation Commission to convene with a Working Group of one member from each Tikanga Pākehā Diocese and Tikanga Māori Hui Amorangi and the Archbishops, with the power to co-opt suitable expertise and be sufficiently funded to support the work required.

The Commission and the Working Group are required to consider:

- 1. How to keep the Spirit of bicultural partnership flowing through a biennial Tikanga Rua Wananga attached to General Synod.
- 2. What it means to be in a Covenantal, Gospel and Treaty partnership.
- 3. By research and education to resource the Church to meet its Treaty/Te Tiriti, Constitution/Te Pouhere obligations for the benefit of the Church and its mission.
- 4. To review Title B, Canons XXXII and XXXIII to ensure that the bicultural Treaty partnership is given high priority.
- 5. How to encourage local bicultural partnerships between Dioceses and Hui Amorangi.

The Commission and Working Group to jointly report to the General Conference that takes place prior to General Synod/Te Hinota Whanui in 2018.

The Rev'd Pane Kawhia sought leave of the Synod/te Hīnota to introduce a Motion – Religious Instruction in Schools.

Motion 24 Religious Instruction in Schools

1. The Rev'd P Kawhia

2. Miss R Paenga

WHEREAS Anglican missionaries began religious education in schools in Aotearoa-New Zealand when they established their first mission schools in this country in the early 1800s; and

The Religious Instruction and Observance Act 1962 and the Education Act 1964 established the legal framework for the incorporation of voluntary religious education in primary schools and that this framework remain in effect today; and

Participation in religious education in schools programmes remains entirely voluntary; and

Noting the recent legal action supported by minority groups hoping to end religious education in Schools;

It is moved that this General Synod/Te Hinota Whanui 2016:

- 1. Strongly affirms the continuation of religious education in schools; and
- 2. Encourages every Hui Amorangi and Diocese to actively support the high-quality delivery of religious education in schools in their regions.

The Rev'd Don Tamihere sought leave of the Synod/te Hīnota to introduce a Motion – Chaplaincy in Hospitals and Prisons.

Motion 25 Chaplaincy in Hospitals and Prisons

1. The Rev'd D Tamihere

2. Mr M Tangohau

WHEREAS The Anglican Church has played a major role in the provision of Chaplaincy services in Hospitals and Prisons; and

Our experience shows that Chaplaincy services provide pastoral care that is essential to the healthcare of hospital patients and to the care and rehabilitation of prisoners; and

Noting the continuing pressure from the Government and some Hospitals and Prisons to reduce funding and provision for chaplaincy services;

It is moved that this General Synod/Te Hinota Whanui 2016:

- 1. Strongly affirms the need for Chaplaincy services in Hospitals and Prisons; and
- 2. Encourages every Hui Amorangi and Diocese to increase their support for the provision of chaplaincy services in their region.

Mr Selwyn Parata sought leave of the Synod/te Hīnota to introduce a Motion – GSTHW Programme.

Motion 26 Call for Review: GSTHW Programme

1. Mr S Parata

2. The Rev'd E Kyte

WHEREAS the programme for General Synod/Te Hinota Whanui 2016 has required delegates to set aside at least nine days for travel and attendance (including for the General Conference, the Inter Diocesan Conference, and Tikanga Caucuses); and

Noting our duty of care for the health and wellbeing of delegates, staff, and attendees;

It is moved that this General Synod/Te Hinota Whanui 2016:

- 1. Invites General Synod Standing Committee to review the programme for General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui 2016 (including General Conference, the Inter Diocesan Conference, and Tikanga Caucuses) in terms of:
 - a. The length of time required to undertake and complete the programme; and
 - b. The workload required of delegates, staff, and attendees.
- 2. Makes recommendations that:
 - a. reduce the time required to undertake and complete the programme; and
 - b. ensure that the workload required of delegates, staff, and attendees is not detrimental to the health and wellbeing of delegates, staff, and attendees.

Te Whaikorero – Archbishops' Charge – Part 3

The Most Rev'd Dr Winston Halapua delivered Part 3 of the Archbishops' Charge.

ACEN Report

The Rt Rev'd Api Qiliho spoke to the report.

Other speakers to the report were The Rev'd Jacynthia Murphy, The Rev'd Eric Kyte and Ms Sepiuta Hala'api'api.

The President moved that the report be received.

Agreed

Motion 11

Fossil Fuel Divestment and Reinvestment

1. Mr R Oram

2. Mr F Tevi

That this General Synod/te Hīnota Whānui 2016:

- 1. Receives the report of the Small Working Group (SWG) on Reinvestment, and
- 2. In light of the developing field of ecosystem restoration in the Pacific,
 - considers establishing a carbon offset programme for its air travel, with the funds being allocated to Pacific ecosystem restoration.
 - considers co-investing in restoration projects with government or NGO agencies.
 - keeps a watching brief on developments, with the aim of drawing attention to trust compatible investment opportunities when they arise, and
- 3. That the SWG be tasked with furthering the actions in clause 2 of this motion, and reporting regularly to General Synod Standing Committee between now and the next General Synod/te Hīnota Whānui.

Acknowledgments and thanks were extended by Mr Rod Oram to other members of the Working Group, Mr Fe'iloakitau Tevi, Mr Graham Miller, Mr Evan Turbott, Mr Matheson Russell. The Rt Rev'd Winston Halapua was thanked (for his Charge earlier in the day), The Rt Rev'd John Pritchard (for his morning bible study), Mr Mark Wilcox (Anglican Pension Board) Mr Grant Hope (Trust Management).

Synod/Hīnota adjourned for morning tea at 10.30am and resumed at 11.15am.

The President advised Synod/Hīnota that further discussion of Motion 11 is suspended until further notice and that Synod/Hīnota will continue with the next business. The Most Rev'd Dr Winston Halapua in the Chair.

Motion 12 Climate change (Christchurch Synod)

1. The Rev'd A Starky

2. Ms M Ritchie

That this General Synod/te Hīnota Whānui 2016:

Makes responding to climate change a priority for the Decade of Mission.

Agreed

Motion 11 (continued)

Speakers to the motion resumed.

The motion was put.

Agreed

Motion 13

Framing the Medium to Long Term Response of the Church in Increasing Natural Disasters

1. Mr F Tevi

2. The Rev'd J Murphy

This General Synod/te Hīnota Whānui 2016 in its deliberation:

Mindful of the devastation caused by 2 category 5 tropical cyclones that hit 10 Pacific Island Countries in particular Vanuatu (TC PAM), Fiji (TC WINSTON) and Tonga (TC WINSTON);

Noting with sadness the loss of lives in Vanuatu (11 persons) and in Fiji (44 persons) resulting from the severity of tropical cyclones Winston and Pam;

Noting with deep gratitude the generosity of the people of Aotearoa New Zealand and other Pacific Island Countries to come to the immediate assistance of these 2 countries offering much needed emergency aid and development assistance;

Concerned about the continued assistance from the Church that rests mainly with the collection of clothes, kitchen items and immediate food rations;

Noting the leadership of Rev'd Mike Hawke and the generous contributions of the parishes in Christchurch towards a 40ft container filled with building materials and tools for the Diocese of Vanuatu and the parishes affected by TC PAM on Efate, Vanuatu in 2015;

Cognizant of the dire need for this Church to develop a medium to longer term response to the increasing disasters focused on building the resilience and reducing the risk to the communities that are vulnerable to such extreme weather events;

Urged by the concluding points of the 2016 Tikanga Toru Youth Synod proposing that youth groups play a more proactive role in building up the resilience of local communities in the face of increased weather events;

This General Synod/te Hīnota Whānui 2016 therefore:

- 1. Mandates the Anglican Missions Board to work with other relevant service providers of the Church to:
 - a. Establish a clear resilience strategy that would strengthen the Anglican Church of Aoteraroa, New Zealand and Polynesia's response to any future natural disaster.

- b. Develop clear strategies linking the Anglican Church of Aoteraroa, New Zealand and Polynesia with disaster relief agencies to enable a cadre of Church Community trainers who are then tasked in training the youth groups of the parishes in disaster preparedness.
- c. Develop a Diocesan Rapid Response Plan that would allow the Anglican Church of Aoteraroa, New Zealand and Polynesia to respond in a timely and strategic manner to any community affected by a natural disaster in the Pacific Island Countries under its jurisdiction.
- d. Link into the Disaster Risk Reduction networks with a view to creating partnerships with other like-minded bodies involved in the area of jurisdiction of the Church.
- e. Create a conducive environment for longer-term partnerships between parishes in New Zealand and those in the Diocese of Polynesia with the objective of developing longer-term twinning parish partnerships on resilience and preparedness.
- 2. Invites AMB to consider this motion as a priority in its work plan for 2016-2017.
- 3. Mandates GSSC to monitor the implementation of this motion in close collaboration with the AMB and other relevant partners and report back on its implementation at the General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui 2018.

The President moved from the Chair that further discussion of Motion 13 be suspended until after lunch.

Confirmation of Bills

The Most Rev'd Philip Richardson moved that:

Bill No 1	the Bill intituled "The Title A Canon I Amendment Statute 2016"
Bill No 2	the Bill intituled "Title B Canon X Amendment Statute 2016"
Bill No 3	the Bill intituled "Title B Canon XIV Amendment Statute 2016"
Bill No 4	the Bill intituled "Title B Canon XIX Amendment Statute 2016"

be confirmed.

Agreed

Synod/Hīnota adjourned for lunch at 12.30pm and resumed at 1.15pm. The Most Rev'd Dr Winston Halapua in the Chair.

Question – Child Poverty / Affordable Housing

A question was raised by Mr Graham Miller.

Can General Synod/te Hīnota Whanui be updated on current work being undertaken under the auspices of our Church, towards the reduction in child poverty and particular in the area of affordable housing?

This question is being asked on the basis that mention has been made a number of times in the GSTHW regarding child poverty in Aotearoa New Zealand as being of key missional concern at this time, we are actively engaged in addressing this, but we have not otherwise been informed of this work at the GSTHW hui.

In response, The Most Rev'd Philip Richardson advised that the Small Working Group of the Social Justice Commission would be able to provide a response.

Bill No 5 (revisited)

A Bill intituled 'Title B Canon XXXIV Amendment Statute', 2016.

On the motion of Ms A Napier, seconded by The Most Rev'd P Richardson, Synod/Hīnota moved into Committee to consider the Bill.

Synod/Hīnota resumed.

The Committee reported to Synod/Hīnota that Bill No 5 had been passed with amendment.

On the motion of Ms A Napier, seconded by The Most Rev'd P Richardson, the decision of Committee was taken as the decision of Synod/Hīnota with the third reading of the Bill to be an Order of the Day for Wednesday 11 May.

Agreed

Social Justice Commission, and Restructure SWG Report

The report of the Social Justice Commission, and Restructure SWG be adopted.

Agreed

Bill No 6

A Bill intituled 'Title D Canon I Amendment Statute', 2016.

On the motion of Judge C Harding, seconded by Dr B Bang, the principle of the Bill was agreed to by Synod/Hīnota.

On the motion of Judge C Harding, seconded by Dr B Bang, Synod/Hīnota moved into Committee to consider the Bill.

Synod/Hīnota resumed.

The Committee reported to Synod/Hīnota that Bill No 6 had been passed without amendment.

On the motion of Judge C Harding, seconded by Dr B Bang, the decision of Committee was taken as the decision of Synod/Hīnota with the third reading of the Bill to be an Order of the Day for Wednesday 11 May.

Agreed

Motion 13 (continued)

Framing the Medium to Long Term Response of the Church in Increasing Natural Disasters

Amendment to Motion 13

1. Miss S Crosse

2. The Rt Rev'd Dr HA Hartley

That the following clause be inserted as 1.f.

Engage and empower Three Tikanga young people to be involved at every level of visioning, strategic planning and implementation around building resilience and disaster preparedness.

Agreed

Motion 13

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 - f. Engage and empower Three Tikanga young people to be involved at every level of visioning, strategic planning and implementation around building resilience and disaster preparedness.
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- 3. Mandates GSSC to monitor the implementation of this motion in close collaboration with the AMB and other relevant partners and report back on its implementation at the General Synod/te Hīnota Whānui 2018.

Agreed

Bill No 7

A Bill intituled 'Title F Canon V Amendment Statute', 2016.

On the motion of Mr G Miller, seconded by The Rt Rev'd TK Pikaahu, the principle of the Bill was agreed to by Synod/Hīnota.

On the motion of Mr G Miller, seconded by The Rt Rev'd TK Pikaahu, Synod/Hīnota moved into Committee to consider the Bill.

Synod/Hīnota resumed.

The Committee reported to Synod/Hīnota that Bill No 7 had been passed without amendment.

On the motion of Mr G Miller, seconded by The Rt Rev'd TK Pikaahu, the decision of Committee was taken as the decision of Synod/Hīnota with the third reading of the Bill to be an Order of the Day for Wednesday 11 May.

Agreed

Bill No 8

A Bill intituled 'The Reference to Sunday Titles in all Formularies, Canons and Publications of this Church Statute 2014,' 2016.

On the motion of The Rt Rev'd TK Pikaahu, seconded by The Rev'd S Uluilakepa, the principle of the Bill was agreed to by Synod/Hīnota.

On the motion of The Rt Rev'd TK Pikaahu, seconded by The Rev'd S Ulu'ilakepa, Synod/Hīnota moved into Committee to consider the Bill.

Synod/Hīnota resumed.

The Committee reported to Synod/Hīnota that Bill No 8 had been passed without amendment.

On the motion of The Rt Rev'd TK Pikaahu, seconded by Rev'd S Uluilakepa, the decision of Committee was taken as the decision of Synod/Hīnota with the third reading of the Bill to be an Order of the Day for Wednesday 11 May.

Agreed

Bill No 11

A Bill intituled 'Adopt as Formularies Liturgies for Baptism and for Laying on of Hands,' 2016.

On the motion of The Rt Rev'd J White, spoke to the principle of the Bill.

The President moved that further discussion to Bill No 11 be adjourned until after afternoon tea.

The Rt Rev'd Philip Richardson requested that Tikanga Pākehā caucus at 3.20pm to review their nominations.

Synod/Hinota adjourned for afternoon tea at 3.00pm and resumed at 3.30pm. The Most Rev'd Philip Richardson in the Chair.

Synod/Hīnota were advised that Tikanga Pākehā were able to review their nominations and had made some suitable changes and thanked Tikanga Māori and Tikanga Pasefika for their patience.

Bill No 11 (continued)

Discussion on the principle of the Bill continued.

Acknowledgement

Mrs Anne Kelderman, Executive Assistant to The Most Rev'd Philip Richardson, was acknowledged before she left the Synod/te Hīnota.

Bill No 11 (continued)

Motion without notice

The Rt Rev'd J White sought leave of the Synod/te Hīnota to move a motion without notice for immediate consideration.

On the motion of The Rt Rev'd J White, seconded by The Rt Rev'd TK Pikaahu;

- (i) Bill No 11 and consequent Bill No 12 do lie on the table until General Synod/te Hīnota Whānui 2018.
- (ii) The several Hui Amorangi and Diocese be asked to study and consider the material contained in Bill No 11 and Bill No 12 and the accompanying report from the Common Life Liturgical Commission.
- (iii) Any comment or suggestions emerging from those hui and study be presented to the CLLC by All Saints Day 2017.

Agreed

Bill No 12

A Bill intituled 'Title G Canon XIII Amendment Statute,' 2016 (to lie on the table until General Synod/te Hīnota Whānui 2018).

Agreed

Bill No 13

A Bill intituled 'Endings of Collects Amendment,' 2016.

On the motion of The Rt Rev'd TK Pikaahu, seconded by The Rev'd S Ulu'ilakepa, the principle of the Bill was agreed to by Synod/Hīnota.

On the motion of The Rt Rev'd TK Pikaahu, seconded by The Rev'd S Ulu'ilakepa, Synod/Hīnota moved into Committee to consider the Bill.

Synod/Hīnota resumed.

The Committee reported to Synod/Hīnota that Bill No 13 had been passed without amendment.

On the motion of The Rt Rev'd TK Pikaahu, seconded by The Rev'd S Ulu'ilakepa, the decision of Committee was taken as the decision of Synod/Hīnota with the third reading of the Bill to be an Order of the Day for Wednesday 11 May.

Agreed

The President moved from the Chair that Synod/Hīnota take a five minute recess.

The House of Clergy were asked to meet in order to appoint a member to the Anglican Church Pension Board.

Report from Motion 4 - A Way Forward Report Revision Group

A prayer was offered from the Chair prior to the report being presented. Expressions of gratitude and thanks were extended to the Working Group for the work they had prepared.

The President implored Synod/Hīnota members and observers that the draft motion that had been circulated be treated with utmost confidentiality.

The Rt Rev'd Andrew Hedge presented the report.

It was proposed from the Chair, that Synod/Hīnota convene after Bible Study on Wednesday morning, to hear any further clarification and discussion.

The President reinforced the necessity for confidentiality, and that this matter be considered prayerfully overnight.

Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes from Sunday 8 May be confirmed.

Agreed

Evening Prayer

The evening prayer was led by The Rev'd Deborah Broome at 5.15pm.

Close of nominations

Synod/Hīnota adjourned at 5.30pm.

Signed by the Presidents

W Halapua

Primate and Archbishop

Winston Halapua

P Richardson

Primate and Archbishop

WB Turei

Primate and Archbishop