

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF HASTINGS (CPH)
FINANCE MEETING at 7pm TUESDAY 13th October, 2020

Present: Brian Kelly (chair), Vipin Thomas, Terry Grieg, Marie Russell, Alan Stanley, Jean-Ann Ferguson, Lee Pepping (minute taker)

Apologies: Fr Marcus Francis

Jean-Ann/Vipin

Opening prayer: Parish prayer was read together

Minutes of the September 2020 meeting: read and confirmed

Marie/Vipin

Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting:

- Star at SHC – still to be removed.
- Aubert Centre – open day was held with approximately 20 people attending from across the parish. Fr Marcus, Tevita and his colleague Malcolm Byford spoken about Kainga Pasifika's intentions for the future. Attendees were able to view the premises.
- Heat pumps – Brian is waiting for the second assessor to provide an appraisal and recommendations.
- SHC garden and front entrance – no further developments.
- Office staff – Deb Lucy completed some hours of work including collating the newsletter and some training with Steph Levy. Deb has now resigned. Steph is gradually picking up the skills and responsibilities required. Jean-Ann is guiding Steph's learning.
- SH alarms – Vipin has spoken to St Joseph's School about the possibility of their caretaker being the first respondent to the SHC alarm. St Joseph's is happy for this to happen. They also guided Vipin on remuneration for this responsibility. Vipin will speak with the caretaker about taking on this role.
- Alpha – has been successfully completed. The next course will be in February 2021.
- Planned Giving appeal – Connor has spoken at each Mass.
- OLOL – cost to use the hall after funerals – Fr Marcus will be speaking to the OLOL group.
- Rimu doors from office – a parishioner is arranging for someone to give a cost estimate.
- SH sound system – delayed until next year.

Finance:

- Reports circulated.
- Envelopes and loose cash giving are below budget.
- Planned giving is a slightly below budget.
- Actual income is close to what was budgeted because of the government wage subsidy
- The Diocesan Manager (Liam Greer) will be making changes to how finances are managed. Brian is hoping to meet with him soon.

Vipin/Terry

Correspondence:

- Email from Des Kavanagh – suggesting a potential new member for the Parish Finance Committee.

General Business:

- Security for the churches:
SH is most at risk. Brian will seek advice on the most suitable system to ensure SH church is as secure as possible.

- MSD COVID-19 funding opportunity. Information has been passed on to the “Thermals for Needy Children” group. They will be applying for funding. Vipin will assess whether there are areas within the parish that can apply for funding.
- Terry handed in his resignation from the Finance Committee. Accepted.
- SH sound system. Will try the old OLOL microphone or purchase a new microphone

Alan/Terry

**Meeting closed at 7.45pm with a prayer by Marie.
Next meeting 7pm Tuesday 10th November, 2020.**