

**REPORT OF THE DIOCESAN REGISTRARS, SECRETARIES, MANAGERS, ADMINISTRATORS,
KAIWHAKAHAERE TO THE GENERAL SYNOD / TE HĪNOTA WHĀNUI, 2024**

Farewells and Welcomes

This group of colleagues includes the Registrars/ Secretaries/ Managers/ Kaiwhakahaere of the five Hui Amorangi, seven Pākehā Dioceses, and the Diocese of Polynesia, plus the Tikanga Secretaries/ Administrators for Te Pīhopatanga and Tikanga Pākehā Conference, as well as the General Secretary.

There have been several changes in this group over the past two years, 2022-23, most sadly with the death of Atareta Maika of Te Manawa o Te Wheke shortly after GSTHW 2022. In 2022 we also saw Annie Fraser retire and Chris Ward follow her in Nelson, Ben Ferriera come on board in Waikato and Taranaki, and then at end of 2023 Teri-Rori Kirkwood retire from Te Upoko o Te Ika, to be followed early 2024 by Carl Wairau. Also, in early 2024 Maui Tangohau stood down from his long transitional role with Te Pīhopatanga o Aotearoa office to be followed by Bardia Matiu, and Treena Tapine moved on from Tairawhiti.

Meetings

The Registrars and Secretaries meet regularly by monthly Zoom, sharing the chairing of these hui, but also seek occasions when we can meet in person, both of which are invaluable for support and interaction over shared issues. We meet to discuss concerns and challenges, share contacts, resources, ideas, and solutions to common problems and demands, and to work together wherever possible to develop collective and shared policies, strategies, and programmes.

This group plans an annual Conference (historically every 'other' year with the Australian Registrars), and often another day, or overnight, meeting earlier in the year. So, in the past two years the usual biennial Australasian Anglican Registrars Conference had to be postponed a second time post-Covid. It is now being planned for later 2024 hosted in Christchurch.

Our own annual 2022 Registrars Conference was held in Wellington in June, and a single day Hui was held in Auckland on 2 March 2023. The 2024 Hui is planned for Dunedin also in March. Business across these events has included such varied topics as: insurance, missional communities, bequests, ministry standards, cyclone response, finances and allowances, governance, charities review, housing and buildings matters.

General

It is good that the Bishops, Dioceses and Amorangi recognise the importance of this group of people working amongst them and offer both personal support and funding to enable them to attend these gatherings. I wish to add my own personal note of gratitude to this group for their collegiality and support.

Michael Hughes
General Secretary
February 2024