

The Resolutions to be put to the Special General Meeting of St Luke's in the City on 2 May 2021

[These resolutions are moved by the Vestry following consultation with the Bishop and Standing Committee for determination at this Special General meeting.]

(1) That, following this special general meeting, the Church Wardens and Vestry of Christchurch St Lukes ("Vestry") shall enter into discussions with the Bishop, Standing Committee, Dean and Chapter and the Church Property Trustees ("CPT") with a view to dissolving the Parish of St Lukes in the Anglican Diocese of Christchurch ("Parish") on St Luke's Day, 18 October 2021, in accordance with the Diocesan Local Ministry and Mission Units Statute and the wishes of the Parish congregation set out in the following resolutions of this special general meeting.

(2) That the following assets held by CPT in the CPT fixed income funds account:

- a. Contents Insurance - \$1,143,686.00
 - b. Churchwardens' Account - \$242,428.00
- Total - \$1,386,074.00

("General Purpose Funds") for the Parish will be used in the manner provided in resolution 3 and the balance of the assets held by CPT in connection with the Parish which are as follows:

- a. \$3,214,000 (approximately) in funds (including material damage insurance proceeds) ("Trust Funds");
- b. A block of land on the corner of Kilmore and Manchester Street ("Land"), (together called "Remaining Assets"),

will, following dissolution of the Parish, be held by CPT for use in the Anglican Diocese of Christchurch ("Diocese") in accordance with the purposes of the trusts already established in respect of those Remaining Assets and used in the manner provided in resolution (4).

(3) That the General Purpose Funds shall be held by CPT as a separate fund to be called "the St Luke's Charitable Fund" which will be used with the assistance and recommendation of a special advisory committee to be appointed by Standing Committee to be available for the Diocese's general purposes provided (subject to resolution (5)) that the first call on such fund shall be the carrying through of the mission of this Church in the former area of St Luke's parish, such as:

- a. Meeting the cost of Pro TXT on behalf of the NZ Prostitutes Collective, ie. a text alert service created in response to the murder of Susie Sutherland and other violent crimes against sex workers in 2005 within the physical bounds of the Parish and which works by sending bulk texts to sex workers from a dedicated phone line which is monitored 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by volunteers. This information can include warnings of violent individuals to be aware of, as well as potential thieves and other problematic clients. It is supported by the Police and has proved an exceptional safety tool;
- b. Overseas mission giving to Kailakuri Health Care Project in Bangladesh. This has been supported by the Parish since 1996 and is a multi-faith project which grew out of the Church of Bangladesh to make health care accessible to the poor by the poor. The Kailakuri Clinic was opened as a sub-centre for diabetes and TB under Dr Edric Baker originally from Christchurch and is now an integrated project of Muslim, Hindu and Christian communities even to the extent of praying together daily which is a central and dynamic part of their motivation and community life; and

- c. **Support for the Little Brothers of Francis at Eremophila in New South Wales. A group of Friends of the Little Brothers continues to support their ministry through prayer and financial assistance in times of need. The Little Brothers have visited the Parish on a number of occasions over the years and led retreats and quiet days for the Parish.**

(4) That, while it is accepted by the Parish that, following the dissolution of the Parish, the Remaining Assets will be held by CPT in accordance with the terms of trust on which they are presently held, the Vestry is instructed to present the following wishes of the Parish to the Bishop, Standing Committee, Dean and Chapter and CPT in respect of the use of the Remaining Assets:

- a. **That the Dean & Chapter be requested to establish a service, in the St Luke's style of contemplative worship, in a regular Eucharist at the Cathedral;**
- b. **That the Trust Funds will be held by CPT as a separate fund to be called "the St Luke's Fund" and, with the assistance and recommendations of a special advisory committee to be appointed by Standing Committee, shall be used (subject to special resolution (5)) for the following purposes in order of preference:**
 - i. **Financial support for a priest or deacon, licensed by the Bishop of Christchurch, accountable to the Dean and Chapter, to be based at the Cathedral but whose main ministry focus will be chaplaincy to the inner city (e.g. to businesses, to ministries engaging with those who are poor, to the creative arts) and who ideally would lead worship according to (a) above.**
 - 1. **For clarity, the St Luke's Fund would not be available to support the general Cathedral ministry of the Dean and other Cathedral clergy.**
 - 2. **Financial support would include stipend and allowances and reasonable funds to establish and develop mission and ministry within this chaplaincy.**
 - 3. **Financial support would include a proportionate contribution to the annual Quota of the Cathedral.**
 - ii. **Financial support for the Diocese or any parish in the Diocese or any other Diocesan appointed or sponsored body running projects in the inner city which progress social justice in the inner city community.**
 - iii. **Financial support for the Diocese or any parish in the Diocese or any other Diocesan appointed or sponsored body running projects in the inner city which progress spirituality in the Anglican tradition following a path developed by the Parish through many decades.**
 - iv. **Any residual costs associated with the dissolution of the Parish and of the sale of the Land.**
 - v. **Reasonable costs of any special advisory committee appointed by Standing Committee for making recommendations regarding the use of the St Luke's Charitable Fund and the St Luke's Fund.**
 - vi. **In the year 2021, payment of a sum to the Diocese equivalent to the residual Quota the Parish would otherwise have paid from 19 October to 31 December 2021.**
 - vii. **In the year 2022, payment of a sum to the Diocese equivalent to the Parish annual Quota as assessed for the full 2021 year.**
 - viii. **Reasonable costs of CPT for administration of the St Luke's Charitable Fund and the St Luke's Fund, as assessed from 1 January 2023.**

- c. That following expiry of the term of the lease of the Land to the Side Door Arts Trust (re 185 White Chairs) on 31 March 2023, the Land be sold, with preference for a sale which leads to positive “social impact investment,” and the proceeds be contributed to the Cathedral Project, with preference for the proceeds contributing to the building of the ancillary building to the south of the Cathedral, currently designated the Cathedral Centre, and with the understanding that the Cathedral Centre is integral to the future of Anglican mission and ministry in the centre of Christchurch City.
- (5) That, for the sake of clarity:
 - a. the Parish would expect CPT to make all investment decisions with regard to the St Luke’s Charitable Fund and the St Luke’s Fund, but request that the special advisory committee appointed by Standing Committee will be consulted and requested to make recommendations with respect to the distribution of the income and/or capital of the St Luke’s Charitable Fund and the St Luke’s Fund in accordance with the purposes specified in resolutions (3) and (4)b.
 - b. Standing Committee shall be entitled to review the purposes for distribution of the income and/or capital of the St Luke’s Charitable Fund and the St Luke’s Fund specified in special resolutions (3) and (4)b and may recommend to Synod, from time to time, that either or both of the St Luke’s Charitable Fund and the St Luke’s Fund shall be used for such other purposes or in such other manner as Synod shall determine, bearing in mind, the future era in the life of the inner city of Christchurch and the future needs generally of the Diocese.
 - c. In the event Standing Committee recommends changes as per resolution (5)b. above, preference shall be given to using the St Luke’s Fund where possible for such other purposes, in order to maintain the St Luke’s Charitable Fund for the purposes set out in resolution (3) as long as possible.
- (6) That Standing Committee be requested to make appropriate arrangements for other ministry units to take pastoral responsibility for rest homes currently ministered to by the Parish ordained and lay ministers; and generally that arrangements are made under the direction of the Bishop for continuing pastoral care of members of the Parish congregation.