

**Minutes of the 63rd Annual General Meeting of the Parish of Silverstream  
(St Mary's, Silverstream, with St Philip's Revive, Stokes Valley),  
held at St Mary's Church, Silverstream  
at 11.45 am on Sunday 26 March 2023**

**Present** 42 parishioners attended, from an electoral roll of 106, which was tabled.  
A quorum was verified.

### **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Martin Bland, Anna and Matt Holman, Brendon and Rachel Jacobson, Joy Mylek, Jennie Peterson, Joy Zhao

### **Opening**

Wairua Tapu was sung and prayer followed. Priest-in-Charge, the Rev Kath Bier, welcomed everyone, introduced the members of Vestry and announced Merv Gaskin was now her Vicar's Warden.

### **1. Confirmation of the Minutes of the 2022 AGM**

The Minutes of the AGM of 21 March 2022 had been circulated and were confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved that the words 'to ensure that our earthquake insurance is not affected' on Page 2, item 6, bullet point 3 be deleted. Heather Schollum/Simon Ryder-Lewis Carried

Moved that the minutes circulated be adopted. Simon-Ryder-Lewis/Julia Coleman Carried

### **2. Reports**

Reports from the Priest-in-Charge, Wardens, Alongside Ministry (formerly the Pastoral Care Team), Children's Ministry, Missions Team, Prayer Ministry, Sacristan Ministry, St Philip's Revive Church Plant, Women's Fellowship, Worship Team and Youth Ministry were circulated ahead of the AGM and were taken as read

Moved that the tabled reports be received. Michelle Ryder-Lewis/Adrian Brown Carried

### **3. Presentation of Financial Statements for Year ended 31 December 2022**

The parish accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022 were presented and received, along with the budget for 2023. The AGM recorded the meeting's grateful thanks to Michelle for all her work as treasurer.

Moved that the 2022 Financial Statements be received. Kath Bier/Sue Gaskin Carried

Moved that the 2023 Budgets be received Kath Bier/Merv Gaskin Carried

### **3. St Philip's Columbarium Rules**

A full revision of the Columbarium Rules was presented to the AGM and taken as read.

Moved that the rules set out in the report be adopted as the rules for the Columbarium in the grounds of St Philip's, Stokes Valley. Merv Gaskin/James Coleman Carried

#### **4. Terminus Street Bank**

The Vestry has nominated a committee to examine the bank. It has yet to advise the Vestry as it needs more time. The current priority is completion of the pathway alongside the north side of the church, a legal requirement to using the building.

#### **5. General Business**

A parishioner asked whether there had been a Parish Consultation before the appointment of the new priest-in-charge. The response was that the Parish Consultation model is not used every time a priest-in-charge is appointed. Wardens Merv Gaskin and Adrian Brown met with Vestry appointed nominators, Simon Ryder-Lewis and Pam Claasen. During December and January, Adrian Brown wrote the specifications for a profile of the parish and the church family which was approved by all nominators.

Diocesan nominators with a wealth of knowledge and wisdom, the Rev Dr Digby Wilkinson and the Rev Julie Rokotakala, met with the nominators more than once. The position was advertised nationwide to Anglican clergy, the current priest-in-charge made application and was interviewed for more than two hours by the parish nominators and a Diocesan nominator. The parish nominators, together with the Diocesan nominators, recommended to the Bishop that the Rev Kath Bier be appointed vicar of Silverstream. The Bishop offered the role to the Rev Kath Bier and she accepted it.

The Rev Kath thanked everyone for attending. The meeting closed with the Grace at 12.09 pm.

**THE REV KATH BIER** Chair

**ROSEMARY JAMIESON** Secretary to the Vestry

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