



ST PETER'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ELLERSLIE/MT WELLINGTON



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

2016

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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of St Peters Presbyterian Church Ellerslie Mt Wellington held 11th October 2015

The meeting was held after the morning worship service and opened with prayer by Rev Howard Carter.

There were 29 parishioners in attendance as listed in the roll of attendees.

Apologies: James Carter, Grant & Deb Hopkins, Irene Bicknell, Greg Watkins, Janet Fuatimau, Theo Fieldsend, S Jones and A Graydon

Minutes of AGM 12.10.2014 taken as read. It was moved that the minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting. S Jones/O Jones. Agreed.

Annual Reports – It was moved that these be received in bloc, as read and commented on and any questions answered if required. S Arnett/I Clarihew. Agreed

Financial Report- Moved that Financial Report be received subject to audit.

Moved M Dillon/E Fuatimau Agreed.

Accept presentation of Budget. M Dillon/ K Jones Agreed.

General Business; Susan Jones to resign as Parish Clerk in March of 2016.

Presentations made to S Yee and M Dillon for their service with Sunday Funday and Treasurer respectively

. The meeting was closed at 11.35 am.

Confirmed:

Date:

Minister's report

This is my fifth AGM report at St Peter's, having been inducted here, as minister, in March 2012. It continues to be a privilege to serve the people here and also a real challenge. In fact as I looked back to check when I started here I came across a blog entry I wrote as I was contemplating answering the call to St Peter's. In it was a very relevant quote from Leonard Sweet...Relevant for me at the start of my ministry and relevant for us all today...

“Whatever God calls you to do, it's going to be bigger than you are. If you can do it in your own strength, then no faith is required. If God gives you a dream or mission, then it's more than you can possibly handle, and faith is required.”

As a church we have a vision that we are called to be “an authentic, vibrant, sustainable community, growing as followers of Jesus and inspiring others to join us on that journey”. It is Christ centred as it focuses on our growth in living as disciples of Jesus. It reflects Jesus commandment to his disciples to love one another, and it calls us to fulfil the great commission, Jesus purpose for the church, to go to all nations

and make disciples, baptising them in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. At the heart of it is growth; that we grow in our relationship with Jesus, we grow in our love for one another and we grow numerically as we grow in our love for the people around us.

That vision comes alive in our mission statement 'That at St Peter's we worship God, support each other and reach out in love.'

One of the significant things that the Parish Council has been working on this year is a five year strategic plan. This plan asked us to think about where we believe God was calling us to be five years from now in terms of seeing that vision for our congregation advanced. It was a tough process as we didn't feel comfortable just setting growth goals and numerical targets. In the end we came up with eight strategic areas in our church that were essential for us to be healthy and achieve our vision. We set objectives and goals in all eight of those areas and steps we are going to take to get to those goals. It is good to be able to look back and see how we are achieving some of those goals.

We saw prayer as a key area and it is good to see the prayer life at St Peter's grow. The prayer chain has grown and people on the prayer chain gather in a small group for prayer on Monday mornings. I have asked each of us to commit to praying for five non-believing friends or family members to come to know Christ. We saw the need for age appropriate small groups and it is good to see a small group for secondary school aged people

start on Sunday mornings. You just have to look around the church and have that shrinking feeling as children who used to be around your knees now start to stand eye to eye to see that this is an important start for future as well as present needs. We are evaluating fundraising options and seeing an increase in rental income. The building continues to be used by our community in many different ways. Some things we've tried haven't worked and there are areas we still need to focus and work on more.

Preaching and teaching: The focus for this church year (July 1st 2015- June 31st 2016) has been working our way through

Luke's gospel. From the middle of last year until Easter this year we focused on Jesus Galilean ministry... We took time off in October to look at 'The Lord's Prayer' in conjunction with running the six week Prayer course here at St Peter's. Between Easter and Pentecost we continued a tradition of looking at Biblical teaching on the Holy Spirit by looking at



'The Gifts of The Holy Spirit' exploring the various lists of gifts that Paul makes in his epistles, seeing that in the church we all have a place to belong and a part to play. After Pentecost we went back to Luke's gospel focusing on Jesus journey to Jerusalem which takes up the central third of the Gospel. With several breaks, for the season of creation (September) and a season of prayer (October) and advent, we should be finishing our journey through Luke's gospel at Easter 2017.

One aspect of this year has been trying to use more imagery from around Auckland and St Peter's to tie messages and services back to our context visually. The best example is the image on the cover of these AGM reports of a sparrow sitting on our guttering, which reminds us of God's providence.

Worship: recently I said that 9:30am on a Sunday morning was the most stressful time of the week, as from week to week we never know what attendance will be like and the number here as we start the service is not necessarily an indicator of how full the church will be. Our June statistics say we have on average just a few more here than last year.

There have been some memorable services this year. We had an invitational service in October to mark the international day of the elderly, while only one person came through our letterbox drop invite, it was because of that contact that this year I was able to minister to their wider family as they dealt with a suicide. At our December communion service we acknowledged the retirement of three long serving elders. It was good at that service to be reminded from 1 Samuel 7:12 'This far the Lord has helped us' and be able to look forward trusting God to raise up new leadership. Easter Sunday was a highlight with a combined service with Antioch Korean Presbyterian Church and it was wonderful to have such a full church for Easter. Songs and hymns were sung both in English and Korean, and the Rev Kyoung Gyun Han, the Asian Ministry Facilitator of the PCANZ spoke. Conversely one of the low points for me was the Midnight Christmas Eve service where only four people attended.

Music continues to be an important part of our worshipping life and I appreciate all those who enable us to have a blended style of worship utilising the best of our tradition with the best of the new. In July this year we had a Presbytery Prayer and healing service at St Peter's and the feedback we got from people was that they really appreciated the worship that we provided. It was also one of the personal highlights of the year for me as for half an hour people came forward for prayer. I also enjoyed singing with my children, James and Bethany, accompanied by Debs Hopkins with her excellent guitar playing.

Community and mission involvement: It is good to be able to support St Peter's various community facing outreaches during the year, be it simply doing dishes at Cook Nights or having morning tea with our mainly music mums. I help run the social events that we hope to use to build relationships between our community and the congregation; Bangers and Bangers and Neighbours Day. I also joined with the Yee's and Nick Conza BBQ-ing for the Stanhope Road School Whanau Night. As a church we hosted reunions for the Incredible Years courses that Family Works East Auckland run in partnership with St Peter's.

Two highlights this year were the 'Living Well: smart choices for seniors', a two day seminar run in conjunction with Christ Church in Ellerslie and Mountainside Lutheran. It was attended by about forty seniors and explored such topics as financial management, health, legal issues, access to aid and services, dealing with life's big questions. It was great to have Steve

Farrelly from the Breakfast Club in Glen Innes speak as well. It was amazing to have one of the people attending give Steve a car for his ministry after the talk.

The second highlight was 'Glow in the Park' this is the third year this has been run. It is run by Combined Churches round Mt Wellington in partnership with the Tamaki-Maungakiekie Local Board. Over a thousand people attend the concert and carols in the Park. Thanks to Isaac for going in the Panmure Christmas parade with me to advertise it, and helping set up on the day, and serve food. Thanks also to Bethany for singing with me in the combined Choir that help lead the carols with American gospel singer Sister Jacqui. And thanks to the people who letter box dropped about two thousand fliers advertising the event. I am hoping that in 2016 more people will attend and be involved in this event.

It was good to be invited to host a TearFund child sponsorship tour here at St Peter's earlier this year and to hear Paul Omondi from Kenya speak of the impact child sponsorship had on his life. Likewise it was good having our office tenant Olia's brother and his family from Tomsk in Russia come and share about their ministry to isolated villages in Siberia.

The future: I will have been at St Peter's official for five years next march and it is a good time to take stock and look to the future. I have some study leave due and will be looking towards using some of it in late 2017, and will be making some decisions about further formal study as well.

Thank you: Once again I say thank you to all of you for your support, friendship, prayers and feedback. Thank you to the parish council for your continued work and leadership in the parish, your work this year on our strategic plan and its implementation has been sterling and bodes well for us as we continue to look towards the future. It builds on the work of those who have gone before and who looked at the possibility of full time ministry here. Thanks especially to Andrew Yee who acts as the Parish Council exec. and meets with me regularly to monitor and guide parish business . Also a special thank you to our organist Stewart for his work and dependability and also the worship team for your commitment and patience and talent... I said it last year but I'll say it again... You Rock.

Thanks also to my family. We farewelled Naomi last December as she headed off to Wellington, but she is greatly missed and I valued her musical abilities and her behind the scenes organisational thinking. Thanks to James and Bethany and Isaac for seeing Church as place to serve and being willing to take on leadership roles. A special thanks to my wife Kris for her continued support and hard work.

Howard Carter

Parish Council Report

2015-2016 has been a year of change and transition. The Parish Council has seen a significant turnover in membership, as many people who have served for long periods of time in

church eldership have stepped down and a few new people have stepped up to leadership. There is still a need for more people bringing fresh perspective and energy to take on leadership roles. Parish Council has been working on a five year strategic plan, building on the planning that led to the congregation taking the faith step of appointing a full time minister five years ago. St Peter's has said farewell to some long term members of the congregation and welcomed new members and families. New initiatives have started while other activities have run their course. There are signs of new growth and possibility alongside ongoing struggles with the issues and challenges of being a small church.

Membership and Numbers: Membership has remained fairly constant. Three people were welcomed into communicant membership through a confession of faith and we lost several members through death. Therefore the roll remains at 25 communicant members with 23 associated members (associated members are those who identify with but have not officially joined the PCANZ). Attendance at services is calculated on the average attendance based on statistics gathered during the month of June. In 2015 this was 32 and this year it is 37, a slight increase, but challenging considering attendance in 2000 was 69. One of the healthy factors is the ratio of adults to children which sits at about 40%. This reflects that the average age of the congregation is lower than it was in 2000 when that ratio was 11.69%. The higher average of

children to adults indicates there are more likely to be adults in the 25-54 year age range.

Deaths: We wish to acknowledge members and associates who have died this year: long-time member and elder emeritus Ray McGregor, and faithful long-time members Tommy Thomas, Bob Carn-Bennett and Muriel Ambrose.

Elders: In 2015 Filipo Levi was ordained as an elder, and this year June Brundell was also ordained into eldership. Parish Council also regretfully accepted the retirement of Susan Jones and Gay Kee. Susan has been a hardworking efficient Parish Clerk for the past three years and Gay not only served as an elder, but was also a driving force on the property committee, and remains a member of the mainly music team and prayer chain. At the December 2015 communion service, special acknowledgement was given and prayers offered for those who have retired over the past two years: Owen Jones, Anne Clarihew and Miles Dillon. Owen served for many years as Sunday School superintendent, as well as convening the property committee. Anne Clarihew was a highly competent Parish Clerk for many years. Miles Dillon served as treasurer also for many years. All were deeply involved with Sunday School teaching, and Anne and Miles served on the Auckland Presbytery as elders and committee members. The Parish Council is still seeking a replacement for the Parish Clerk.

Parish Council Executive: The Parish Council Executive, comprising Howard Carter and Andrew Yee, meets monthly a week prior to each Parish Council meeting to set the agenda for

the Parish Council, see how decisions have been implemented from the previous meeting and to ensure that much of the extraneous material is dealt with outside of the upcoming meeting.

Strategic Plan: A key element of the work of the Parish Council has been working on a strategic plan for the next five years at St Peter's. This was in response to the PCANZ's directive that all parishes have and work with a strategic plan for mission, but also because it helped to focus ahead, developing time-specific realistic goals. It is helpful to look at where we are going from here (see figure 1). The process identifies eight strategic essentials for church health and growth, setting goals and objectives for each area and outlines an action plan for 2016 and beyond. Early in February a day long consultation with the congregation, facilitated by Tim Pratt, helped in this process. The Parish Council wishes to thank all who were involved. On the 20th of November after church, a pizza and planning lunch will be held to outline and implement the action plan for 2017.

Events: A variety of activities and events have been held during the year. It is aimed to have a social/community contact event each school term to foster relationships between the congregation, those involved in our community-facing outreaches and the wider community. In June 2015, a trivia quiz night also doubled as a fundraiser. Thank you Owen and Susan Jones and daughters, Kimberley and Maia for organising and fronting this event. In Term Four, the Bangers

and Bangers BBQ and fireworks evening was held. It was good to see over 90 people attend this event, with ex-mainly music and playgroup families attending. Thanks to the organisational skills of Steph Yee, an impromptu 'stay-cation' camp was held at the church during the Christmas holidays. It was great to see families, neighbours and friends attend this event. In Term One of 2016 a picnic and barbecue was held to celebrate Neighbours' Day. Sadly, being so close to Easter and school holidays, attendance was down from 2015. A second most enjoyable trivia night, also capably organised by the Jones family, was held in Term Two of this year.

Easter Sunday saw a wonderful new initiative involving a combined bilingual service with the Antioch Korean Church. Songs were in both Korean and English as were prayers, bible readings and the message. Reverend Kyoung Gyun Han (Asian Ministries enabler for the PCANZ) spoke at the service. It was followed by a delicious multi-cultural lunch.

In 2015 a second annual 'Season of Prayer' was run. It was good to have twelve people attend the six week Prayer Course. The prayer chain is functioning strongly and a group from the prayer chain gather for prayer on Monday mornings.

Church Finances: The Parish Council was gladdened by the improvement in our financial position this year. St Peter's is operating just a little ahead of budget. Thanks to the financial team of Eddie Fuatimau (treasurer) and Andrew Yee, with help from Miles Dillon in working hard at this, and, along with Greg Watkins, working to gain and maintain tenants in the church

and manse contributing a great deal to this improved financial situation. While it lies beyond this reporting period it would also be remiss not to acknowledge the role the garage sales have played in the financial wellbeing of St Peter's over a forty year period.

Thank You: The Parish Council wishes to thank all those who have worked and contributed to church life this year: those who serve in services, help lead worship (the worship team and organist Stewart Arnett), are involved in children's ministry, and with youth, as well as the community outreaches which will be acknowledged as the reports are worked through today.

Thanks go also to Susan Jones for her fine service as Parish Clerk, to Gay Kee for her time serving as elder on the Parish Council, and also to Grant Hopkins and Gay for their work on the property committee and around the church property.

Thanks and acknowledgement are due to SooLand Wong who was church cleaner until the end of 2015 and the Parish Council wishes to acknowledge the humble service of Eddie and Janet Fuatimau and their family and Val Shepherd who have taken on the task of keeping the church clean.

Parish Council (Howard Carter, June Brundell, Anne Graydon, Filippo Levi, Andrew Yee)

Worship Team

The worship team continues to glorify God through contemporary music both in the Sunday morning worship service and at several prayer and healing services. In the past year, the worship team has said goodbye to our keyboardist, Naomi, and have also welcomed Jayden and Olivia to the team as vocalists. The focus for the team this year has been adapting our repertoire to be played without keyboard accompaniment. We have also introduced several new songs to the congregation.

A big thanks to Isaac, Kris and Kirsten for their help behind the scenes, getting people to practice, helping with the set-up and mixing sound.

James Carter



St Peter's Play group

Playgroup is chugging along, with a fairly regular group of people. I haven't had much time to dedicate to playgroup with work, school, kindy and renovations, but we're lucky enough to have Amanda Nielson, a former playgroup mum come back as our new helper after Paulette left to pursue her dream career. Paulette was well loved at playgroup and we appreciate her steadfast and kind approach to the job. We've continued on



with our themed approach to our curriculum and had a wonderful book themed term which turned the kids into "wild things" and 'hairy McClarys'. We were lucky enough to have Howard come to read the books to the kids for book term. We've had some comments from mums that we need to have another book theme as the kids have missed Howard and his wonderful storytelling. The committee is looking healthier with a few new additions. Our next committee meeting will be on the first Monday of the school holidays.

Sophie Lewis

SPY- Saint Peter's Youth

This year we started a small group for our youth that meets on Sunday mornings. We completed the Alpha Life Youth Course and now we are working through the Re:form Course. Re:form tackles questions that young christians may have about the bible, the creed, discipleship, Jesus, other beliefs and difficult topics. A typical small group session includes a hilarious video introducing the question, a bible passage, an activity, the occasional game and a group discussion. We have also



participated in several social events with Greenlane Presbyterian Church such as Zorb soccer and Escape the Room. We have between four and eight young people attend on most Sundays. It has been a pleasure hanging out with our youth and I look forward to seeing the group grow. I would like to thank Catherine, Howard and Steph for supporting and encouraging the youth and for their help.

Bethany Carter

Mainly music

Ellerslie mainly music is operating for its eleventh year. The group meets from 9:30 to 11:30 every Wednesday during term time. Families with preschoolers come from an area extending from One Tree Hill, Remuera, Meadowbank, through Ellerslie and Mount Wellington to Panmure. One family, having moved to Waiuku still attends regularly! The programme combines singing, movement and teaching using musical instruments and props. A wide variety of songs, traditional, modern and 'God-based', along with set routines are used to develop skills prior to kindergarten and school enrolment.

The leadership team comprises Kathryn White (welcome table), Paula Sedal (roll manager), Gay Kee (setup, support & 'creative'), Miles Dillon (treasurer & music/data projector operator), SooLand Wong (faithful supporter, dishwasher & highly popular sweeper-man) and Anne Graydon (programme creator & coordinator). Special mention needs to be made of, and thanks given to Debbie Hopkins, who has done a wonderful

job of keeping the play area lawns beautifully mowed, as well as supporting, covering and gap-filling during any absences of team members!

Many parents eagerly and regularly attend mainly music and value the connections made, the friendship and support offered, as well as the safe, quality environment, resources, food and 'real' strong coffee offered. These early child-rearing years are a huge challenge for mums and dads. A population boom continues, with many parents now having a second or third child, and still attending! Freezer meals are greatly welcomed in times of new birth, sleep deprivation or sickness, as are offers of visits, prayers, and practical advice.

The networking between playgroup and mainly music is also important. For many families, these events connect families to St Peter's and build a sense of belonging, making this place 'our' church for them. Thanks are due to Howard for his great support with IT backup, 'God slots' at special sessions, and interaction with families at morning tea. Parent social events are held in the evening during the holidays and sometimes during the term, when parents may meet, as child free adults, for a leisurely catch up over food and drinks.

It is the prayer of each team member who faithfully and joyfully serves, that these mainly music years and 'God moments' may ripple on long and effectively through young lives and families reached through this mission.

Anne Graydon

Garage Sale

Forty years ago, a woman named Gwen Smith had an amazing idea! These 'new things' called 'Garage Sales' were starting up. Why couldn't the women from the Ellerslie and Mt Wellington parishes combine and do this as a fundraiser for the church?

So began an institution which has successfully operated way beyond its expected lifespan. Garage sales, held monthly for many years, more recently became larger events held quarterly. Throughout the years, it is estimated more than \$150,000 has been generated and contributed to the running and mission of St Peter's Church.

After forty years of operation, the garage sales have concluded. There have been fewer people able to work the long hours involved with the setup, on the actual day and with the putting away processes. Also fortuitously, the Ellerslie Toy Library has approached St Peter's looking to rent space, so the timing has been most beneficial.

On the 4th of September, the day after the final sale, a thanksgiving service was held. People dressed, paraded and competed in Garage Sale Garb. Dorothy Brockett and Theo Fieldsend (the two original members who have worked the entire forty years!) were each specifically acknowledged and presented with a long service medal. As all church members have been involved, each person present was given a thank you gift. It was a fitting and festive celebration. The names of past

members involved with the sales were also included with the offering.

Special thanks needs to be given to:

The faithful, dogged-and-diligent committee - Gay Kee, Steph Yee, Debbie Hopkins and Miles Dillon

The stall holders - the 'gifted' Dorothy Brockett; the 'collectable' Miles Dillon and Bob Edwards; the 'bookish' Carter family; the 'beautifully-baked' Theo Fieldsend, June Brundell and Mary Matthews; the 'booteek-y' Debbie Hopkins and Catherine Watkins; the 'sizzling' Yees/Filipo/Fuatimaus; the 'fab bag-man' SooLand Wong; and ...(NO!!! NOT the white elephants!!!) the 'bric-a-brac brainiacs' Steph Yee, Nola Taylor, Irene Bicknell, and Kirsten Cresswell

Those who helped behind the scenes - advertising, donating, sorting, pricing, setting-up, delivering fliers, baking, knitting, sewing, washing, mending, polishing, restoring, culling/disposing, putting away and more.

'WELL DONE GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANTS!!!'

The welcoming, lively, convivial atmosphere will be missed. However the garage sale room has now been cleared, and reinvented to become a wonderful new space for families to regularly meet and exchange toys.

Anne Graydon (Convenor)

Sunday Funday AGM Report 2016

The numbers attending Sunday Funday in 2016 has remained relatively static, we currently have eight families represented with an average of twelve children attending every week. The ages of children attending range from 4 years to 15 years old.

This year has seen two groups that now form Sunday Funday with Beth taking the older teen/youth for a more in depth bible study.

Over the course of the year we have been working with and using a series called “Theo”. This series features a mouse called Theo and his friends in a cartoon segment with a specific focus each session. After the children have watched the relevant section there are Bible verses, worksheets and fun interactive activities and games to do. The church has purchased 4 series and we have covered 1 fully this year and will be beginning the second one shortly.

The topics we have covered are Adoption, Forgiveness, Good News, Justification, Loving obedience, New Birth, Redemption and Saving Faith.

It has been great to see the children really getting into worship and praising God during sessions. They enjoy the Hillsong Young and Free songs and the usual Sunday School songs also.

Without the help of people stepping up and stepping in, we wouldn't be able to have Sunday Funday. This report comes with huge thanks to all the people that have kindly given up

their time to organise and then take sessions. It is great that our children get such a wide and varied amount of input during the school term.

Catherine Watkins



Fill-the-Freezer/Cook Night AGM Report 2016

Vision: Four years ago I put the idea forward of possibly cooking meals and then giving them out to mums in the Playgroup and Mainly Music groups that meet at St Peter's weekly. This was quickly supported by the church and became a Church Ministry with meals for anyone in our community.

Word of mouth has quickly spread this amazing outreach and many people have been touched by the generosity and simply the fact of been thought of. People want to be kept updated and in the loop when Cook Nights occur as they want to come and 'give back' too.

Funding of Meals: The Church has kindly put aside money for this Ministry and has allocated sufficient funds to go towards causes like this. It is estimated that groceries for Cook Night cost just under \$1000 per year.

Occurrence of Cook Nights: The cook nights usually happen four times a year – one in each term. We have only had one



this year with another one scheduled for the 2nd November. This final one for the year will see us try to do double the amount to last us over Christmas and into the New Year.

What Happens at a Cook

Night: All groceries are purchased prior to the evening. Trestle table and all equipment is set out in the Church kitchen prior to volunteers arriving, we all pitch in, cook and wash dishes. At the end of cooking, the prepared dishes are then packaged up into foil or plastic containers, labelled and dated.

Total Number of Meals Made to Date: Approx 400

Thank you: A huge thank you to the regulars that help out each time, either with purchasing groceries, the containers and coming each time to cook. They are: Steph, Annie, Deb, Amy, Steph T and Miles. Thank you to all the volunteers from Playgroup and Mainly Music and to Howard.

All meals have been very gratefully received.

Catherine Watkins

Property team

At present the property team consists of Howard Carter and Owen Jones. During the year we received the resignation of

long serving members Gay Kee and Grant Hopkins. Gay has been tireless with her work around the church and we have appreciated Grants work, know-how and skills in the upkeep of the property and in his efforts in working on a church/community garden. Owen had retired from the group last year but had come back on to keep things ticking along. The team meet bi-monthly during 2015 and the first quarter of 2016 but now with two people simply consults when needed.

Several working bees were held during the year. The winter one focused on cleaning the interior of the church and one in February this year focused on the exterior.

The trellis fence along the front of the church offices was rebuilt and we are very thankful to Nick Conza for his efforts in doing this and Gay Kee for painting it.

Various plumbing and electrical issues have been dealt with over the year with cisterns in the toilets being replaced. All the lino areas in the church were professionally polished during the year and we want to thank the Play Group contributing to this.

Over summer we had an arrangement with A1 Landscaping for them to stock pile mulch from their work round the outside of our green field. It was not a successful endeavour and while we have managed to sell some trailer loads through our trademe account (thanks to Eddie Fuatimau for arranging that) it remains an ongoing issue.

As we are well aware of the amount of effort and energy needed to keep the church ground up to scratch we have

entered into a contract with NZ Corrections to come (on request) and work on basic gardening and grounds work. This will include spreading mulch to gardens where it is needed. Due to a communications glitch, they have not come over the winter period but will have been for the first time before the AGM.

Revitalising the Property Committee will be a priority in the New Year.

Thank you to all the people who have worked around the church building and grounds this year. Again, thanks to Gay Kee and Grant Hopkins for their great work not only over this year but for many years. Nick Conza for his building skills. Thanks to Soo-land Wong who retired as the church cleaner in December 2015. A very big thanks To Eddie and Janet Fuatimau for taking on the job of cleaning and to Val Shepherd who cleans the toilets weekly. Also thanks to Owen Jones and Andrew Yee for spraying weeds. Thanks to Debs Hopkins for mowing the fenced children's and social area and Bryan Knight and his employees for mowing the paddock and other grass areas.

Howard Carter on behalf of the Property team

Budget and Accounts

ST PETER'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BALANCE SHEET AS AT 30 JUNE 2016

	2016	2015
ACCUMULATED FUNDS	54555	44014
ASSETS		
BAPTIST SAVINGS TERM DEPOSITS	48279	59465
BNZ BANK ACCOUNT	21235	3718
PREPAYMENTS		2260
TOTAL ASSETS	69514	65443
LIABILITIES		
CREDITORS	980	7429
GST	3979	
DEBENTURES		4000
FAMILY WORKER GRANT	10000	10000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	14959	21429
EXCESS ASSETS/LIABILITIES	54555	44014

**ST PETER'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2016**

INCOME	2016	2015
OFFERINGS	47044	37185
PROPERTY	70188	53579
MANSE RENT	1000	500
DONATIONS	604	3927
FUNDRAISING	605	1214
MISCELLANEOUS	798	
GARAGE SALES	3729	4677
INTEREST	2498	2435
TOTAL INCOME	126466	103517
EXPENDITURE		
STIPEND, EXPENSES, HOUSING ALLOWANCE	85308	80658
POWER	3392	3457
PHONE	1079	2120
WATER	1038	1796
REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	5812	7485
NATIONAL CHURCH CONTRIBUTION	7625	6885
RATES	2629	2768
INSURANCE	5220	6138
EDUCATION & WORSHIP	192	116
DONATIONS	605	1000
GIFTS	201	1397
MISCELLANEOUS	221	46
COOKNITES	253	982
STATIONERY & COPYING	167	671
SUPPLY	1005	
PRESBYTERY LEVIES	1178	1071
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	115925	116590
EXCESS INCOME/EXPENDITURE	10541	-13073

ST PETER'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS
AS AT 30 JUNE 2016

1 Statement of accounting policies

The accounts are special purpose accounts prepared for the members of the parish. The accounts have been prepared on an accruals basis. Payments of a capital nature are expensed in the period in which payment is made. This year's figures have been prepared on a GST exclusive basis.

2 Stipend, expenses and housing allowance

Stipend, expenses and housing allowance comprise the following:

Stipend	54077
Beneficiary Fund Contributions	2328
Housing Allowance	26000
Expenses Allowances	2623
Supervision	280
Total per Accounts	85308

3 Land and buildings

Land and buildings are not included in the Parish accounts as they are owned by the Presbyterian Church Property Trustees. The Parish is responsible for maintenance and insurance of the property and contents. Insurance is held on a replacement basis.

Insured Value - Church	2525900
Insured Value - Manse	241200
Insured Value - Contents	122500
	2889600
Government Valuation - Land	1870000
Government Valuation - Buildings	930000
	2800000

**ST PETER'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 30 JUNE 2016**

	2016	2015
ACCUMULATED FUNDS	54555	44014
ASSETS		
BAPTIST SAVINGS TERM DEPOSITS	48279	59465
BNZ BANK ACCOUNT	21235	3718
PREPAYMENTS		2260
TOTAL ASSETS	69514	65443
LIABILITIES		
CREDITORS	980	7429
GST	3979	
DEBENTURES		4000
FAMILY WORKER GRANT	10000	10000
TOTAL LIABILITIES	14959	21429
EXCESS ASSETS/LIABILITIES	54555	44014