

Question: 13 October 2010

The Rev Andrew Kukulka to ask –

1. (c) What is there in Standing Orders or other provisions that would prevent the distribution of these materials [the emerald book, supplementary report, additional materials, principal ordinances, annual reports of diocesan organisations] by email to those Synod members who indicated their willingness to receive these materials in this way?

To which the President replied –

I am informed that the answer is as follows –

1. Parts (a) and (b) of Mr Kukulka's question were answered last Wednesday.
 - (c) Strictly this question is out of order under business rule 6.3(4)(f) as it seeks a legal opinion on whether the business rules or any other provision prevent the distribution of certain materials to members of the Synod by email. Could I nonetheless encourage Mr Kukulka to get in contact with the Diocesan Secretary to discuss the matter further.

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The Rev Craig Roberts to ask –

2. Has the Endowment of the See Committee, as distinct from the Archbishop's Strategic Commission, this year sought to spend over \$17,000 on renting artworks to display in the non-residential areas of Bishops court?

To which the President replied –

2. I am informed that the answer is as follows.

No. The amount paid on the rental of existing artworks this year was \$3,795.

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Ms Lyn Bannerman to ask –

3. (a) Are the losses by the Diocesan Endowment on share investments this year so far (\$3.375 million to end August 2010) in line with market movements in the same period?
- (b) What is the estimated shortfall in Synod's appropriations for 2011 of \$249,000 caused by?
- (c) What is an estimate of the shortfall in the appropriations in 2012, and what are the major contributing factors to that?
- (d) Did the Glebe Administration Board, as trustee of the St Andrew's House Corporation, receive quarterly and/or annual financial reports from the Corporation? Was it the Archbishop's Strategic Commission who first alerted the Glebe Administration Board to the "over distribution" of St Andrew's House Corporation Funds and if not when did the Glebe Administration Board first recognise the problem?

To which the President replied –

3. I am informed that the answer is as follows –
 - (a) The performance of the Australian shares asset class in the Diocesan Endowment's investment portfolio has underperformed the relevant benchmark on a year to date basis. There was a change in the investment manager for the Australian shares asset class in June 2010. The asset class has continued to underperform since that date and this is the subject of ongoing discussions with the new investment manager.
 - (b) & (c) The Synod Appropriations and Allocations Ordinance 2009 passed last year indicated Synod's intention in relation to both 2011 and 2012. In both years the estimate of the income available to be appropriated totalled \$6,367,000 and Synod indicated its intention to make allocations totalling \$6,615,000. In other words there was a gap each year of \$248,000 between the estimated income and the intended allocations.
 - (d) In 2009, Glebe Administration Board, as agent for St Andrew's House Corporation, commenced planning for the future of levels 3, 4 and 5 of St Andrew's House having regard to the

expiration of the current lease of those floors at the end of October 2011. In the context of that planning, and advice about the current office leasing conditions and the nature of building works required to be undertaken, the extent of the future financial issues for St Andrew's House became apparent. This was communicated to St Andrew's House Corporation and the Endowment of the See Committee in early 2010.

The financial issues were recognised before the appointment of the Archbishop's Strategic Commission. Those issues, and their impact on the Endowment of the See, were a significant factor giving rise to the appointment of the Commission.

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The Rev Peter Lin to ask –

4. At present, how many ordained clergy are there in ministry positions in the Diocese and of these, how many are of non-Anglo background?

To which the President replied –

4. I am informed that the answer is as follows –

There are 588 clergy in ministry positions. We do not keep records of those who are of non-Anglo background, and a great deal depends on the definitions involved, but understanding the spirit of the question we believe there are approximately 75 people in that category.

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The Rev Nigel Fortescue to ask –

5. With regard to the vacant unimproved property on Menangle Road, Menangle, owned by Anglican Retirement Villages –
 - (a) How much is the site worth?
 - (b) Is the ARV able to sell it?
 - (c) Is the ARV able to give it away?
 - (d) Could the site be sold and any proceeds given to the Endowment of the See? and, if not, why not?
 - (e) If the ARV is unable to sell or give the property away, what can be done with this “lazy asset”?

To which the President replied –

5. I am informed that the answer is as follows –

This question is out of order under business rule 6.3(4)(f) as it seeks a legal opinion.

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Miss Joanna Warren to ask –

6. What was the average age of men at the time they were made presbyters in 2000, 2005 and 2010?

To which the President replied –

6. I am informed that the answer is as follows –

The year 2000 average age - 35

The year 2005 average age - 33

The year 2010 average age - 41

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The Rev Richard Blight to ask –

7. (a) Would you please provide a tabulated summary of grants by the Wollongong and North Sydney Regions for 2009 – or provide information about where those amounts differed from the budget allocations reported in their last report – in order to ensure consistency of reporting with the other regions?
- (b) Would it be possible in future for those regions which report budgeted amounts rather than actual amounts to also report any differences between the budgeted amounts and the grants actually made or to report that there was no difference?
- (c) Would it be possible in future for all regions to report budgeted amounts for the year in which their report is received by Synod to ensure reasonably up-to-date information?

To which the President replied –

7. I am informed that the answer is as follows –
 - (a) A tabulated summary of grants for the Wollongong and Northern Regions will be provided to the questioner and posted on the notice board in the foyer.
 - (b) Yes
 - (c) Yes

WOLLONGONG REGIONAL COUNCIL 2009 GRANTS

Category	Parish	Applied for	Allocated
Assistant Minister	Minto	\$30,000.00	\$25,000.00
Assistant Minister	Ulladulla	\$12,000.00	\$10,000.00
Assistant Minister	Wollondilly	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Church Planting	Corrimal	\$60,000.00	\$15,000.00
Church Planting	Shellharbour City	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Church Planting	Shellharbour City	\$25,000.00	\$20,000.00
Church Planting	Berkeley	\$90,000.00	\$50,000.00
Cross Cultural	Minto	\$30,000.00	\$17,500.00
Cross Cultural	CCM EFL	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
Indigenous	Nowra Indigenous	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00
Indigenous	Minto Indigenous	\$25,000.00	\$20,000.00
Training	Huskisson	\$10,000.00	\$5,000.00
Training	Ingleburn	\$80,000.00	\$15,000.00
University	University of Wollongong	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00
Youth and Children	Bulli/Woonona	\$40,000.00	\$25,000.00
Youth and Children	Eagle Vale	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
Youth and Children	Narellan	\$30,000.00	\$20,000.00
Youth and Children	South Creek	\$23,000.00	\$20,000.00
Youth and Children	Sylvania	\$30,000.00	\$10,000.00
Youth and Children	Youthworks	\$60,000.00	\$25,000.00
	Totals	\$710,000.00	\$442,500.00

Attachment 2

NORTHERN REGION GRANTS 2009		
1	Asquith (housing)	10,000
2	Bobbin Head (Seniors)	8,000
3	Eastwood (LSW)	17,500
4	Ermington (student minister)	6,000
5	Freshwater (AM)	40,000
6	Hope Ang Ch (AM)	28,000
7	Hornsby (Mandarin)	60,000
8	Kirribilli (church plant)	10,000
9	Macquarie 1 (PT SLW)	10,000
10	Macquarie Uni Chaplain/RMC	20,000
11	Naremburn/Cammeray	40,000
12	Narrabeen (housing)	30,000
13	North Epping (Y & CM)	18,000
14	North Ryde 1 (MTS 1)	5,000
15	North Ryde 2 (MTS 2)	7,500
16	Putney 1 (student minister)	6,000
17	Putney 2 (2 nd SM)	8,000
18	Roseville (church plant)	25,000
19	Seaforth (AM)	11,000
20	Turrumurra South (church plant)	20,000
21	Waitara (chd/yth & cc trainee)	6,000
22	West Ryde (children's worker)	15,000
23	Willoughby East (SLW youth)	5,000
24	MCM Consultant	30,000
25	TAFE	17,000
	TOTAL	\$453,000

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The Rev Richard Blight to ask –

8. (a) Is there a reason that questions and answers from the 2009 session of Synod are not available on the SDS website as they are for previous years?
- (b) Would it be possible to place the 2009 questions and their answers on the website and to ensure that questions and answers from this year and all subsequent years are placed on the website to honour the hard work of the Archbishop and his staff in answering the questions of the Synod?

To which the President replied –

8. I am informed that the answer is as follows –

This question is out of order under business rule 6.3(4)(a) and (b) as it contains several assertions and opinions.

However I mention that the answers to the questions from the 2009 session of the Synod are in fact on the SDS website and can be accessed via the link for the “proceedings” of the Synod in that year.

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Deaconess Margaret Rodgers to ask –

9. Noting that once again we have spent half an hour in the asking and answering of questions, while noting also the importance of openness and transparency to all members of Synod, what actions can be taken in the ordering of business to ensure less time is taken over the asking and answering of questions?

To which the President replied –

9. I am informed that the answer is as follows –

This question is out of order under business rule 6.3(4(a)) as it contains several assertions. Nonetheless consideration will be given to the matters raised in the question.