

INTRODUCTION TO THE MATERIAL FOR THE FIRST DIOCESAN CONVERSATION

BACKGROUND

At Synod 2023 a decision was made to hold a series of diocesan conferences to discuss the future of the diocese. We aim to discern God's preferred future for our diocese together. This first conference aims to give a clear and comprehensive state of the diocese. Below is a list of materials available in preparation for the conversation. On the day a facilitation process will be followed to gain insights from all attendees. Attendees are requested to think about the following questions in preparation for the conference:

1. If you had to describe the Diocese to a friend, what would you say are the characteristics of the Diocese as you see them?
2. What do you think the Diocesan Office needs to provide by the way of services?

MATERIAL

The following materials will be available on [the website](#). More will be added as we get closer to and after the first conference.

1. The whakapapa of our Diocese
2. The state of our social agencies:
 - 2.1. Anglican Action/Mahi Mihinare
 - 2.2. Bishop's Action Foundation (BAF)
3. Financial documents
 - 3.1. Explanation of the 2024 Standing Committee Budget
 - 3.2. 2024 Standing Committee Budget
 - 3.3. Finance Presentation to the 2023 synod by TML
4. Diocesan Statistics
5. Property in the Diocese