

# **DIOCESE OF WAIKATO**

## **STATUTE NO. 10**

### **THE ARCHDEACONRY STATUTE 2006**

**[Updated to 2021]**

The Synod of the Diocese of Waikato enacts as follows -

**1. TITLE**

This Statute is the Waikato Diocesan Archdeaconry Statute 2006.

**2. PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Statute is to make provision for re-grouping parishes, parish districts and mission districts and other Local Ministry and Mission Units, including Chaplaincies, into archdeaconries to provide for the appointment of Archdeacons and specify their duties.

**3. COMMENCEMENT**

This Statute comes into force at the close of the Synod at which it is enacted.

**4. INTERPRETATION**

In this Statute

**Parish** includes a parish district, or mission district.

**Vestry** includes a parish council.

**5. ARCHDEACONRIES**

There will be archdeaconries as determined by the Bishops from time to time

**6. ARCHDEACONS**

(1) Archdeacons for each of the Archdeaconries will be appointed by the Bishops and will remain in office at the pleasure of the Bishops.

(2) Archdeacons may be appointed by the Bishops for specific tasks within the Diocese and will remain in office at the pleasure of the Bishops.

(3) The appointment of an Archdeacon under this Statute shall be recorded in a Deed of Appointment as set out in the Schedule to this Statute or to the like effect.

**7. DUTIES**

(1) The duties of an Archdeacon for an Archdeaconry are to -

(a) Maintain contact with the Clergy.

(b) Encourage and enable parishes to provide for the well-being of their people.

(c) Guide Clergy and vestries in their responsibilities for ministry, finance, stewardship, building maintenance, and parish administration.

(d) Ensure that Clergy houses and other buildings comply with any regulations of the church and are maintained appropriately.

- (e) In the absence of a specific appointment, to act as “priest in charge” and to carry out or make provision to see that the essential duties of a vicar, in respect of that parish, are carried out.
  - (f) Arrange services of induction with the church wardens and vestry.
  - (g) Share in the overall planning in the Diocese and in their archdeaconry.
  - (h) Meet regularly with the Bishops and other Archdeacons in the Diocese.
  - (i) Exercise authority and discipline over the Clergy of their archdeaconry in consultation with the Bishops.
  - (j) Convene meetings of the Clergy of their archdeaconry.
  - (k) Maintain links between the Diocese and the parishes in their archdeaconries.
- (2) The duties of an Archdeacon appointed for a specific task shall be as defined by the Bishops.

**8. ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENTS**

The Bishops, in their discretion, may authorise alternative arrangements for the operation of any archdeaconry

**9. CO-ARCHDEACONS**

The Bishops may appoint Co-Archdeacons in any archdeaconry if they consider it appropriate.

**10. NEW PARISHES**

If a new parish or other Local Ministry or Mission Unit or Chaplaincy is constituted and the boundaries of the new parish are not wholly within one archdeaconry, the Bishops shall determine in which archdeaconry the new unit is located.

**11. REPEAL**

The Waikato Diocesan Archdeaconry Statute 1971 (Statute No 10) is hereby repealed.

The Taranaki archdeaconries in Clause 5 are defined.

**SCHEDULE**

**ANGLICAN CHURCH OF AOTEAROA, NEW ZEALAND AND POLYNESIA**

Te Hāhi Mihinare ki Aotearoa, ki Niu Tirenī  
ki Ngā Moutere o te Moana Nui a Kiwa

**THE DIOCESE OF WAIKATO AND TARANAKI**

**DEED OF APPOINTMENT**  
**AS ARCHDEACON**

Pursuant to the Archdeaconry Statute 2006 the Bishops have appointed

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to the Office of Archdeacon in the Diocese

and have granted to *her/him* the oversight of the parishes (or as appropriate) in the Archdeaconry of \_\_\_\_\_ as they exist from time to time (or alternatively) have stipulated the task(s) for which she/he shall be responsible.

This Deed of Appointment may be revoked if the Bishops in their discretion deem it appropriate.

Signed and sealed this .... day of ..... 20.. and  
..... years of our Consecrations.

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**BISHOP OF WAIKATO**

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**BISHOP OF TARANAKI**

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**REGISTRAR - MANAGER**

*Recorded in the Diocesan Register*