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Statement of Intent regarding use of the Cathedral Precinct

Background

Bishop Selwyn's vision for the Cathedral was for a place that be a "centre of educational, social, charitable and missionary work". A key objective of the Selwyn's Vision project was to expand the number, quality and range of activities that could be undertaken in the Holy Trinity Cathedral precinct to offer a warm welcome and hospitality.

We told donors that the Bishop Selwyn Chapel would be a fully flexible space designed for multi-use and "...have the capacity to either seat 120 people or be cleared away to accommodate events..."¹ This includes catered commercial events.

Statement of Intent

As the current stewards of the precinct, we intend to honour Bishop Selwyn's vision, our Cathedral mission, and what we told our donors by continuing to make this a hospitable sacred and public place available to the community, including for commercial hire where appropriate.

The Cathedral Council, Cathedral resources Board, Dean and Bishop(s) are all in agreement that it is prudent and reasonable to generate revenue from the precinct in this way. Revenue is needed to enable us to carry out the Cathedral's mission and meet the capital and operating costs of the precinct.

The Dean approves all events, and the Cathedral Marketing and Events Manager oversees all events and ensures that the Hireage Policy and Client Contract approved by the Cathedral Council is complied with.

Welcoming all, worshipping God, nourishing community, empowering action

¹ Brief prepared for Auckland Councillors 22 May 2013