



Anglican Parish of  
**WaterlooBay**

# PARISH COUNCIL SNIPPETS

Reported from

May 2023 meeting

Complete minutes available at the back of the church.



**Rector**

**Rev. Scott Gunthorpe**

## 2023 Parish Council

**Rector's Warden:**

Helen Stanbrook

**People's Warden:**

Charmaine Dyer

**Treasurer:**

Ann Martin-Victor

**Parish Councillors:**

Rev John Bretz

Sarah Evans

Liz Law

Pam Monaghan

**Synod Reps:**

Warren Collins

Carole Cresswell

**Parish Nominators:**

Ann Martin-Victor

Helen Stanbrook

Charmaine Dyer

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Meet 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday each month

## Knowing our Wardens:



**Charmaine Dyer (People's Warden)**

*"I will instruct you and teach you in the way you need to go,*

*I will guide you with my eye" Psalm 32:8*

This verse was given to me by the Lord when I changed my career and went nursing in 1972. I have always believed in God but made a formal declaration that Jesus is my Lord and Saviour at a Christian rally in my mid-teens.

I trained as a nurse at The Royal Brisbane Hospital and when I finished my training I went to London to train as a midwife. On returning from London I worked at The Royal Brisbane Hospital as a Nurse Educator. I married Howard in 1977 and we have four adult children and five grandchildren. They are such a blessing. I held positions on The Royal Brisbane Hospitals Nurses Assoc as Treasurer and Membership Secretary for many years. Volunteer at Summer School for CMS. Currently a Committee Member of BCA and hold a number of positions at St Stephen's church Coorparoo for Mothers' Union. I lead a KYB Bible study group. I enjoy going to Christian conferences, reading, crocheting, meeting friends and especially visiting the grandchildren. I am not a gardener but love pulling out weeds.



**Helen Stanbrook (Rector's Warden)**  
will be featured next month.

## **TREASURER'S REPORT** to April 2023

### **Income** – year to date

Pledges and Offerings year to date:

Under budget by 19.8% (\$8,585):

Pledges and Offerings year to date: \$34,763

Budget amount year to date: \$43,348

Pledges and Offerings compared with previous years' YTD:

2023 compared with 2022 ↓14%

2023 compared with 2021 ↓16%

### **Income** – year to date

YTD income is 10.3% under budget. Whilst Pledges and Offerings income is significantly down YTD, some donations have been gifted, interest received is higher than budget, and funeral and

baptism donations are higher than budgeted for.

### **Expenses** – year to date

YTD expenses are under budget, however some expenses, including insurance and expenditure on the Parish Debit Card are yet to be accounted for.

### **Net Profit/Loss** – year to date

Insurance expenses will be recognised over the coming months. Some Parish Debit Card expenditure hasn't yet been allocated due to outstanding receipts.

Taking unallocated expenses into account, the net loss YTD would be slightly over budget.

**Market Day:** Current profit \$5,500. There are still some funds being received. Some stalls had higher overhead costs than other stalls.

Ann Martin-Victor  
Parish Treasurer



The Market Day held on 13 May was very well received. As the Safety Induction/WHS was held earlier in the week preparations on the day were easier.

A big thank you to the local Scouts for their help with security and safety. It should be a given that at any future event they will receive Sausage sizzle and drink in appreciation. The group will also be presented with a certificate of appreciation from Fr. Scott.

We had 15 stalls and all were well attended. The smaller number of stalls made the day more relaxed and less crowded. A healthy \$5000+ profit will be realised.

Dismantling was quick with the help of Rotary taking their own marquees and Eskys. The subsequent debrief meeting was well supported with some "improvements" noted for the next Market Day.

A collective THANK YOU to all who helped.

***The next Market Day has been confirmed as 18<sup>th</sup> November 2023.***

### ***Main points from May Council meeting***

- **MAP: Recent Visioning Day** was well received and the three main working groups have been formed. The top projects were identified as Purpose Formed Family Service followed by Pastoral Care and Finances. We are awaiting feedback from working groups.
- **FIRE PIT night** will be held 17 June 2023 between St G church and hall with soup and singing on the agenda.

- PC approval was given to holding a **High Tea and Fashion Parade** later in the year. Suggested date is late August. More details to come. Watch this space.
- The **Poinciana trees** in the car park at Birkdale have been deemed unsafe as they are dropping branches and have been cordoned off. An arborist has been booked to check out the health of the trees.
- Need to be alert with **security** as it is noted that some doors have been found to be left unlocked.
- The generous offer of donated piano has been declined.
- Planned **Stewardship Campaign** will commence 9 July and run for four Sundays.
- We are looking for someone to coordinate **the community service workers** who could be available to help with our ground maintenance.

### ***Detailed reports were received from:***

#### **Property and Placemaking Committee**

- 14 maintenance items this month completed, including new fire blanket installed in kitchen to St George and the load of top soil.
- **Big thanks** to the Birkdale Scouts for filling divots on Market Day.
- Market Day incident free, well done. Everyone is much more safety aware and now moving to be proactive and less reactive.
- Seeking advice from arborists re tree limb fall in car park under trees. Do not park here for now.

- The St George Hall and church have been found to be open on few occasions over the last month.
- Projects include St James PWD toilet and RCC offered free services of a heritage consultant regarding Heritage listing of both our sites.
- Safety audits for 2023 done.

Rev John Bretz

#### **APWB Parish Tech Group**

##### **1. Data Preparation**

We have developed PowerPoint templates for each liturgical season. We have developed a Data Prep training pack too.

##### **2. Computers**

- a. All Dell updates are loaded monthly along with any Windows security updates.

1. **Laptop:** The new Laptop operating systems has been upgraded to Windows 11.

2. **Tablet(s)** –We have 2 tablets working to display the PowerPoint for the LA but this has to moved manually by the users. We are investigating screen sharing from the laptop.

4. **St George's Hall Laptop**– We will need to load Diocesan Licence Microsoft365 on the Laptop now. Surface Pro can be repurposed for another use. There is another ASUS Laptop in the hall cupboard which can be used as a backup.

3. **Sound** - All seems to be working now.

#### 4. AV equipment for Hall hirers

Glenda has had an enquiry from a prospective hall hirer asking about AV equipment for use. Tech team is in process of putting together a what is available and how to use AV equip in St George's Hall for hirers/users.

#### 5. Website

- a. Updates to events / news are always ongoing. We have been updating the Events page as things change. Market Day page was added and has been removed now. We need new parish council photos on the Team page. Are youth groups in recess and should we state this on the website Youth Pages.
- b. All parishioners are encouraged to review the site and leave feedback on the log here : [Feedback Log](#)
- c. Website Traffic for period 18 Apr 2023 to 17 May 2023.

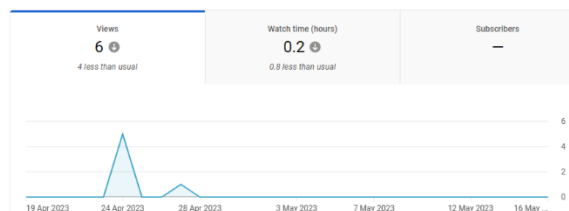
Sessions over time



#### 6. YouTube

- a. Stats as at 17/5/2023– 61 subscribers

Your channel got 6 views in the last 28 days



#### 7. Other

**Parish Email issues.** We are looking at the issues we are having with emails to see if we can troubleshoot or work out a better solution.

**St George's Church projector screen** – The screen has stopped retracting. We were able to get it moving but only halfway up and was making horrible noises. Ian Carr is investigating if we can get it serviced. If it can't be fixed, we will need to replace it.

#### Tech Area Cleanup

A tidy up of the tech area was done and unnecessary items thrown away. Some items were donated to the Market day Good & Chattels stall.

**Tech Working Group are looking for more members to join.** The group is meeting bi-monthly on plus working bees as required. Next meeting is on Monday 26 Jun 2023 at 7.15pm in St George's Church.

Peter Victor  
Chairperson of Tech Working Group

*Parish Council agreed not to live stream services as this has been absent during the past three months.*