

Motion # 14

Violence Prevention is Our Church's Business

Mover: The Venerable M Wallace

Seconder: The Reverend J Murphy

That this General Synod/ te Hīnota Whānui 2016 ask General Synod Standing Committee to establish a working group to:

- a) Implement the recommendations from the Violence Prevention is Our Church's Business hui held 26th-28th May 2015, as in the attached schedule, and
- b) Report back to General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui 2018.

Schedule:

Council for Anglican Women's Studies, 2015 Women in Ministry Three Tikanga Hui

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HUI OUTCOME STATEMENT

We, the participants of the Hui on '**Violence Prevention is Our Church's Business**' organised by the Anglican Women's Studies Council held at Vaughan Park Anglican Retreat Centre, Auckland from May 26th – May 28th 2015:

AFFIRM that in working towards transforming unjust structures, violence prevention is our church's business;

Therefore we recommend:

Recommendations

1. The implementation and compliance with Motion 19 of General Synod/Te Hinota Whanui 2014 Safe Church Charter and Policy Group at Hui Amorangi/Diocesan level
2. That we recognize that a key responsibility of the church is to the survivors of abuse as outlined in the Anglican Communion Safe Church Charter.
3. Title D Canon 1– That awareness is raised of the Canon and in particular education around Title D Canon 1 and Canon 2 at all Church levels
4. Provision of adequate training for appropriate people, clergy and lay to care, support and refer victims/survivors of violence.
5. That the church shall be a strong and consistent advocate for prevention of violence against all people particularly women and children as an Anglican Church initiative or in partnership with others.
6. That each Hui Amorangi/Diocese provides a mechanism to disseminate relevant information resourcing parishes and ministry units to address the issue of violence against all people particularly women and children e.g. Break the Silence, 16 Days of Activism, White Ribbon Campaign, Community Mobilisation.