

As chairman of the Mission Property Committee (or MPC), I am pleased to make this brief presentation to the Synod on those projects funded by the \$20 million appropriation by Standing Committee from the Diocesan Endowment in 2007.

\$10 million in the form of nine grants was provided towards building projects proposed by existing parishes and within the built up urban areas, referred to as “Brownfield Projects”.

A further \$10 million was allocated to the purchase of new land to enable the longer term construction of new land release areas on the urban fringe, referred to as “Greenfield Areas”.

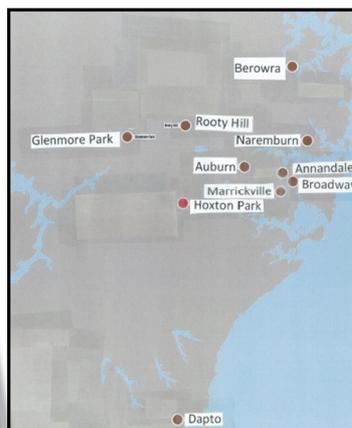
The majority of these projects have been successfully completed and the funds will soon be exhausted. The question to be asked now is “where will a new funding source be found to continue this vital work in support of the Diocesan Mission?”

I will present the Vision for a Diocesan wide fundraising campaign to contribute towards meeting this demand for funding of projects.

In order to reduce the amount of paper we have at Synod, a copy of the power point presentation photos and script will be uploaded onto the Synod section of the SDS website.

9 Projects across the Diocese

\$10 million
Brownfields
Projects



Projects were selected from all 5 Diocesan Regions based on input from Regional Bishops and Archdeacons. Each of the 9 priority parish projects are located in an area likely to experience rapid population growth; or are considered likely to experience large increases in church numbers.

A range of between 10% to 100% of the cost of each project was funded by the Diocesan grant, with most parishes contributing the majority of funding through a combination of fundraising efforts and debt finance. It is likely that a number of the projects would not have been able to proceed without the grant funding.

The MPC provided an important monitoring role to assist parishes in managing the various project risks including monthly progress reporting. This made sure that the buildings were generally completed on time and on budget.

Photographs of each project will now be shown. More detail is provided in the report contained in the Synod papers.

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Dapto



The Dapto church site is a short drive from the West Dapto release area which has a projected additional population of 40,000 persons over the coming decades. A \$1.1 million grant was provided, allowing a doubling of the seating capacity to 500 persons.

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Hoxton Park



The new ministry centre at Hoxton Park, constructed by the MPC, was completed in 2008 following brownfields grant funding of \$1.4 million. It features an auditorium with a capacity of 500 plus seats. A multi- purpose sports hall is used most days during the week to connect with the local community.

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Rooty Hill



At the parish of Rooty Hill there was a \$1.15 million grant towards the new ministry centre which features an increased seating capacity from 150 to 500 seats, with a new hall, meeting rooms, outdoor areas and catering facilities

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Annandale & Naremburn



The Annandale & Naremburn projects received grant funding of \$1 million and \$500,000 respectively, allowing expansion of the heritage church buildings to facilitate growing congregations in enlarged church spaces and multiple meeting rooms for small groups ministry.

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Berowra



The Berowra project involved a \$900,000 grant towards a new multipurpose hall and ministry facilities. The seating capacity has increased from 150 to over 350. Also provided are catering facilities and functional meeting rooms suitable for small and large group ministry.

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St Thomas Auburn



The old hall located behind the St Thomas' Auburn church building has been replaced using a \$450,000 grant with a new hall completed in September this year. The surrounding area is set to continue to experience rapid population growth and the new hall will allow the mandarin congregation to grow.

These 6 building projects I have mentioned have now been completed within the targeted 3 year time period.

The final 3 projects are currently "under construction" and all are forecast to be completed by March 2012.

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Broadway - under construction



The largest grant of \$1.75 m was towards the new ministry centre at St Barnabas Broadway following the 2006 fire. This new centre will double the size of the worship space to over 500 persons and is well placed to support the strategic university student ministry and rapidly increasing population within inner city high rise apartments.

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Marrickville



The smallest grant of \$170,000 was at the St Clements Church and hall buildings, Marrickville. Internal refurbishments are partly completed to support church plants reconnecting with the growing multicultural community.

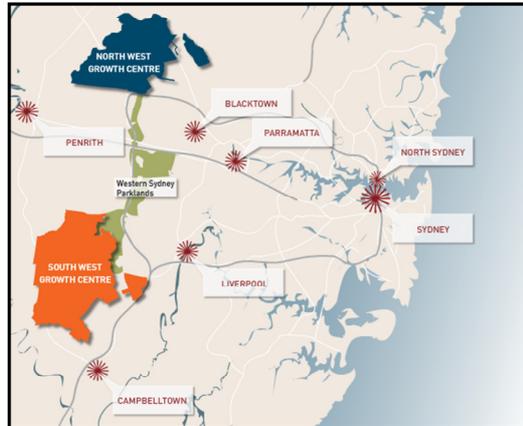
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Glenmore Park - under construction



A \$900,000 grant was towards the Glenmore Park parish and is due for completion by the end of this month. With the original 1997 church building having rapidly reached capacity as it grows along with the surrounding population, the new auditorium will double the seating capacity to 500 persons

Greenfields Projects



- **Identified priority locations -**
Riverstone, Llandilo/ADI, Ingleside, Oran Park/Leppington, Box Hill, Catherine Fields, Harrington Park, Edmondson Park/Denham Court, West Dapto and Stanhope Gardens.

A further \$10 million was allocated to land purchases within the greenfields areas experiencing rapid population growth.

Recognising that establishing a church presence in the new areas of the Diocese is vital, the 12 priority areas listed have been identified in which new land is to be acquired for the construction of new ministry centres.

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Stanhope Gardens



A site has been acquired in the growth area of Stanhope Gardens now known as Kellyville Ridge. The site is strategically located adjoining the village shopping centre, and Anglican Retirement Villages land for a planned retirement village. The parish of Quakers Hill currently has a church plant in the nearby community centre. The site is located on the fringe of the North West Growth Centre, which is forecast to grow in population by 180,000 persons over the next 30 years. An architectural firm has been appointed to lodge a development application in the near future, and prior to the adjoining residential lot subdivision being released for sale.

The MPC also continues to actively search for further land in the north west in the areas around Riverstone

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Austral / Leppington



The green rural paddocks of the Sydney's South West around Campbelltown, Camden and Narellan are forecast to grow to the population size of Canberra, with a predicted population of over 300,000 persons in the next 30 years. This contrasts strongly with an average parish size of approximately 20,000 people, meaning there could be a need for 15 new parishes in that area.

A site with a prominent frontage along Bringelly Road, Austral, close to the proposed Leppington Regional Centre and railway has been purchased for the construction of a new ministry centre in 5 to 15 years.

Following the support of the land owners, the Perich family, a site located on the highest point of the town ship and on the fringe of the proposed town centre at Oran Park has also been purchased.

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Oran Park

ministry commencing 2012



This recent aerial photo of Oran Park shows the outline of the former racing car track which is being transformed into a new residential housing area, and will now have the Anglican church building centrally located and on the hilltop in a newly constructed street named after the late Sir Marcus Loane, Archbishop of Sydney.

The proposed church site adjoins the proposed Sydney Anglican Schools and Anglicare's Chesalon retirement village sites, allowing an integrated approach to future ministry opportunities. These Anglican ministries will form the hub of the new Oran Park Village.

The Reverend Stuart Starr has been appointed as the church planter for Oran Park and is to commence on 1 January 2012. The vision is that the church congregation will grow with the new community. Approximately 100 new homes are currently under construction with over 300 lots being sold per annum. Plans for the construction of a rectory are well advanced, with the new church plant to initially meet on the Anglicare site or school classrooms or the existing sales centre. It is hoped that in 3 years time the church plant will grow and then meet in the first stage of the building.

Fundraising Campaign

- ***To be launched in 2012***
- ***Five greenfield projects***
- ***Ten year timeframe***
- ***First project: Oran Park target: \$5 million***

The Archbishop is actively supporting planning for a campaign to raise funds towards the construction of Oran Park and 4 other new ministry centres to support the church plants in these new land release areas over the next decade. A professional fundraising consultant and administrative assistant have been appointed to coordinate the launch of the capital fundraising campaign for the Oran park project in 2012, with a target to raise funds of \$5 million.

The chairperson of the campaign is soon to be selected. It is an opportunity for established churches to link up with the new congregation as a partner church providing a rewarding experience with benefits flowing both ways between churches and individuals, providing prayer, financial and other support to the church plants

As I conclude this presentation, please join with me in prayer for this work.

Our Heavenly father we bring before you the many people in our Diocese who do not yet know you, especially in the new residential areas where populations are rapidly growing without the presence of the church. We give thanks for the building projects and land purchases recently completed to support the gospel ministries in these areas.

We especially pray for Rev Stuart Starr, as he commences his ministry to the new community at Oran Park. We ask for wisdom in the planning of fundraising and building construction at Oran Park. And we ask this all for your glory.

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