

Proposal to change the status of the provisional parish of Naremburn/Cammeray to a parish

(A report from the Northern Regional Council.)

Initiation of proposal

1. A proposal was made by the Churchwardens of the parish of Naremburn/Cammeray under clause 4(1)(b)(iii) of the Parishes Ordinance 1979 (the "Ordinance").

Details of Meeting

2. A meeting of the Parish Investigation Committee on 24 August 2004 considered the proposal under clause 5 of the Ordinance. Regional Council accepted the recommendation and endorsed the proposal.

3. All the procedural requirements under clause 4 of the Ordinance have been satisfied.

Proposal

4. The proposal is to change the Provisional Parish of Naremburn/Cammeray to a full parish.

5. The Provisional Parish of Naremburn/Cammeray was formed by a decision of both Parish Councils on 22 September 1977.

6. St Thomas', North Sydney has sent groups of members to both Naremburn and Cammeray churches to assist in planting new congregations. In the goodness of God these congregations have continued to grow over the last 5 years. This growth has continued under the leadership of the Rev Rick Smith who was appointed Curate-in-Charge in 2001.

7. The parish is growing, stable and financially sound. It is appropriate that it be advanced to parish status.

8. The Parish Council formally agreed to seek full parish status at their meeting on 12 July 2004.

9. Particulars of Church Trust Property held in trust for the ecclesiastical district of Naremburn/Cammeray.

Property	Address	Condition	Valuation
St Cuthbert's Church/Hall	Cnr Willoughby & Merrenburn Rds, Naremburn	Good	1,581,250
All Saints' Cammeray	5-7 Carter Street, Cammeray	Good	1,185,650
Rectory	205 Willoughby Rd, Naremburn	Good	307,050

Parish Information

10. The population of the Parish is approximately 11,500 of which 2316 (20%) claim affiliation to the Anglican Church of Australia. The population is demographically mixed, but an increasing number of young families are moving into the area. The local public School, Cammeray Public School, has over 500 students and has just completed an extensive building plan.

11. The overwhelming majority of the population have English as their only language (79%) and the majority were born in Australia. Most people either own their own dwelling or are in the process of paying it off. Only 35% of dwellings are rented premises. Naremburn Cammeray has great demographics for continued gospel ministry and growth.

Average weekly attendances for services

12. An estimate of the number of persons who are members of the congregations of Naremburn/Cammeray and who regularly meet for worship -

Sunday Service	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
8am (N)	21	21	19	21	20	21
9.00am (C)	-	-	-	-	-	34
10.00am (N)	45	62	76	113	115	118
10.30am (C was 9.30)	17	18	18	18	22	16

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Sunday Service	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003
5.00pm (NAAC)	-	-	-	-	-	-Started 2004
5.30pm (C)	17	22	41	51	62	66
6.00pm (N)	-	-	-	-	29	41
TOTAL	100	123	154	203	248	296

Summary of consolidated receipts and payments

11. The receipts and payments over the past 2 years were -

Statement of Financial Performance for y/e 31 December 2003

RECEIPTS	2002	2003
Offertories & Donations	229,758	376,225
Other	4,743	9,780
Finance income	4,385	5,660
Other Income	909	
Trading Activities - excess	18,863	24,689
TOTAL	258,658	416,354
EXPENSES	2002	2003
Ministry Staffing	154,610	213,999
Parish Cost Recoveries	11,687	31,401
Ministry resources	7,137	6,621
Parish donations	21,473	45,780
Parish Administration	7,099	9,648
Parish Property Expenses	47,736	66,730
TOTAL	249,742	374,179
Net Financial Performance	8,916	42,175
LESS PURCHASE OF ASSETS	4,579	8,867
OVERALL EXCESS/(DEFICIENCY)	4,337	33,308

13. The Assets and Liabilities at 31 December 2003 were -

ASSETS	2002	2003
Cash Assets	30,077	58,279
Investments	135,528	149,433
Building Contents, Furniture & Equipt	539,000	539,000
Buildings	2,027,000	2,027,000
Land	896,000	896,000
TOTAL ASSETS	3,627,605	3,669,712
LIABILITIES		
Payables		6,474
New Taxes Summary	3,578	4,838
Provision Funds	2,637	3,702
TOTAL LIABILITIES	6,215	15,014
NET ASSETS	3,621,390	3,654,698
PARISH FUNDS		
Retained Funds	3,617,273	3,621,610
Current Excess/(Deficiency)	4,337	33,308
TOTAL PARISH FUNDS	3,621,610	3,654,918

14. The rectory conforms to Diocesan standards and is in good repair.
15. There are no debts on the property.
16. The Archdeacon of North Sydney supports the proposal.

Recommendation

17. The Northern Regional Council recommends that the provisional parish of Naremburn/Cammeray be reclassified as a parish with effect from 1 January 2005.

For and on behalf of the Northern Regional Council.

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Archdeacon of North Sydney

24 August 2004