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Circular to Ministers, Wardens and Treasurers

PCR charges for 2015

The actual cost of some of the components of the Parochial Cost Recoveries ("PCR") charge to be paid by parishes in 2015 is different from the estimate provided to Synod earlier this year. Each of the individual changes has been approved by the Standing Committee or its Finance Committee. As a result both the variable and minister components of PCR charge have changed. The tables below show the effect of these changes.

Later this month each parish will be advised by email when the PCR Summary for their parish, showing their actual PCR charge and Levy for 2015, has been uploaded to the SDS secure Extranet. The PCR Summary will take into account the individual Ministers and Assistant Ministers licenced to your parish and apply the variable PCR charge and Levy percentages shown below to your parish's net operating receipts for 2013.

1. The variable charge, expressed as a percentage of the 2013 net operating receipts of each parish, is designed to recover the cost of certain parochial network costs.

Parochial Network Costs	Estimate \$ for Synod in 2014	Actual \$ for 2015	Change
Parish property and liability insurance program	3,500,000	3,500,000	-
Parish risk management program	207,000	217,000	4.8%
Parish related work by the Professional Standards Unit	506,000	546,000	7.9%
Safe ministry training program	103,000	103,000	-
Provision for relief and remission of PCR charges	20,000	20,000	-
Parish contribution to the cost of Diocesan archives	68,000	68,000	-
Support for the Sydney Anglican Parish Accounting System	11,000	11,000	-
Fee for managing the PCR Fund 951	185,000	189,800	2.6%
	4,600,000	4,654,800	1.2%
Total Net Operating Receipts	96,042,894	95,370,760	(0.70%)
Variable PCR charge – parishes with property	4.81%	4.904%	2.0%
Variable PCR charge – parishes without property	2.89%	2.943%	1.9%
Church Land Acquisition Levy	2.09%	2.09%	-

2. The charge for each full time minister and assistant minister has also changed slightly.

Ministry Costs (per full time minister)	Estimate \$ for Synod in 2014	Actual \$ for 2015	Change
Ministers and Assistant Ministers 7+ years			
Superannuation contribution	10,700	10,594	(1.0%)
Long service leave contribution	1,502	1,540	2.5%
Stipend continuance insurance	1,382	1,382	_
Sickness and accident fund	100	100	-
Cost per minister	13,684	13,616	(0.5%)
Assistant Ministers			
Superannuation contribution	9,628	9,535	(1.0%)
Long service leave contribution	1,502	1,540	2.5%
Stipend continuance insurance	1,382	1,382	-
Sickness and accident fund	100	100	-
Cost per minister	12,613	12,557	(0.4%)