

## Health and Safety for Cathedral of Waiapu Diocese 2024/25 yr Annual Report

A full Health and Safety Audit sheet was completed for the Diocese to a satisfactory standard in Sept 2024. It has been outstanding for some time. Thank you Charlene, for your help with this document.

Carpet possible trip hazards have been repaired. The ramp in the chancel area has been carpeted to match but leaves a possible "sight hazard" for the partially sighted as to where the edges of the ramp are. ? spray edge?

Taped electric cords have been checked periodically to see that they are still secure and not a trip hazard.

First Aid kits are checked from time to time and are labelled

There have been no reports of accidents in the Cathedral during the current year however recently it was discovered a parishioner did fall at the back of the Cathedral, not from being tripped on tree roots. The process of recording this is in progress.

Fire/ emergency drills have been undertaken 6mthly and one is due this month

Recently the Diocese Property Manager suggested the back area of the Cathedral grounds needs a sign warning of tripping hazards from the tree roots. This has been a short cut into town for many years without the need for signage. There is a step onto this ground of more than 150mm which is also a hazard. As there is a question as to what has caused the tile uplifting in the entranceway there is a possibility that the tree roots may have to be dealt with anyway and do away with the need for signage. I have however requested quotes for signage.

As the Cathedral is designated "EQ prone" – the congregation lives day to day with the possible danger of what /when a large EQ may do to the building. It is stressed that the EQ would need to be large to do any significant damage. It could be said "we live on the edge", and may God protect us.

Sue Myles

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