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## To the Anglican Vestries of Napier

Tēnā koutou i runga i te rangimārie o te Karaiti,

## **Subject: Outcome of Napier Parishes Consultation Hui**

On behalf of Bishop Andrew Hedge and the Standing Committee, we sincerely thank you for participating in the recent consultation hui regarding the possibility of amalgamation among the Anglican parishes of Napier.

Your thoughtful engagement, honest reflection, and commitment to the Church's mission have been deeply appreciated. The consultation process has now concluded, and the final report recommends that no amalgamation occur at this time. The Standing Committee has received and accepted this recommendation.

We encourage you to read the report in full, particularly the recommendations.

We recognise the significant prayer, discussion, and discernment that have gone into this process. Thank you to all parishioners and clergy who gave time and wisdom to this shared conversation. It has demonstrated the strength of your commitment to the life and witness of the Church in Napier.

While formal amalgamation will not proceed, we want to encourage each parish to continue strengthening relational ties in mission and ministry. We are confident that deeper collaboration and shared initiatives will help us better serve our communities and embody the unity we already share in Christ.

Ngā mihi,

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