

DIOCESE OF WAIKATO

STATUTE NO. 33

THE DIOCESAN BURIAL GROUNDS STATUTE 1999

WHEREAS the Diocese has several Burial Grounds both closed and currently in use for burials and internments;

AND WHEREAS the Burial and Cremations Act 1964 [herein called "the Act"] provides for denominational burial grounds that the trustees of the fee simple are the "Managers", And that the Managers may delegate their role as Managers;

AND WHEREAS a Diocese of Auckland Statute and Synodical Regulation for Burial Grounds regulated the burial grounds situated within this Diocese up to the formation of this Diocese;

AND WHEREAS it is now desired to state the regulation and practice of Management and to regularise administration for burial grounds within this Diocese;

BE IT ENACTED by the Bishops Clergy and Laity of the Waikato Diocese in Synod assembled as follows -

1. Short Title:

The Short Title of this Statute shall be "The Diocesan Burial Grounds Statute 1999".

2. Trustees:

The Waikato Diocesan Board of Trustees are Trustees for the burial grounds within the Archdeaconries of Waikato, Piako and Waitomo with the exception of the Parish of Te Awamutu.

3. The Taranaki Anglican Trust Board are Trustees for the burial grounds within the Archdeaconry of Taranaki.

4. The Trustees of Burial Grounds within this Diocese administer the burial grounds as the statutory Managers pursuant to the Act.

5. Statutory Managers:

The Trustees may exercise their statutory management by delegation to a Management Committee for each burial ground.

6. Management Committee:

The Management Committee to be appointed by the Trustees shall be the Vestry of the Parish within which the burial ground shall be situated.

7. The Management Committee shall act as the delegated statutory Managers pursuant to section 32(i) of the Ac

8. Regulations:

The Management Committee shall administer the burial ground in terms of the regulations to this Statute in the First Schedule.

9. The Standing Committee shall have power to amend delete or add to the Regulations in the First Schedule.

First Schedule

Regulations:

The Management Committee shall -

1. report each calendar year to the Trustees on the year's management, burials, fees and other income from endowments or trusts together with annual expenditure for care and maintenance of the burial ground;
2. administer the finances of the burial ground and account to the Trustees with annual audited accounts;
3. fix the scale of charges for internment and any sexton's fee;
4. authorise interments by burial according to an established policy set by the Vestry.
5. regulate internment of ashes;
6. regulate the erection of any memorial stone on any grave or burial of ashes and supervise the maintenance of existing memorials on graves;
7. keep a permanent record of all burial plots and graves within the burial ground;
8. observe all the legal requirements of the Act.

Second Schedule:

The following are the cemeteries in the Diocesan terrier -

Rangiriri - closed [War Cemetery]

Cambridge Tamahere

Te Awamutu - closed [part War Cemetery]

Rangiowhaia [Hairini]

Raglan Te Uku

Bell Block

St Mary's New Plymouth - closed [part War Cemetery]

Waingarua (Ngaruawahia)