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A message from the Bishopric Electoral Board

I am pleased to report that the process for the election of our new Bishop is progressing to our proposed timeline.

As previously reported, we received a great response to the call for nominations, and took a great deal of encouragement from the number and quality of the nominations made.

Thank you very much to all the people who carefully considered our needs and took the time to make a submission. All were very carefully reviewed by each member of the Board as part of our deliberations.

We have completed a short list of candidates and are now progressing to interview phase. We are really pleased with the quality and strengths evident in each of those short listed, and delighted that we have strong candidates to consider.

We understand there may be natural curiosity around who candidates may be, but it is not the intent of the Board to provide more detailed information than that provided in this update, as we are very respectful of the need for confidentiality of our candidates. Please keep this in mind when in discussions with members of the Board, and respect the confidentiality that they are required to maintain.

We remain on track to have a new Bishop in place in early 2018.

Thank you for your prayerful support. Please continue to pray for the work of the Board, and the shortlisted candidates, as together we work to discern who God is preparing for this role.

Jenny Dawson
Chair - Bishopric Electoral Board