Premises Report for AGM

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge all the hard work the past premises teams have done in trying to secure a room for us and it has been another year of highs and lows for the premises team

Early in the year we heard about a piece of land at the Wanaka District Club. We looked at leasing and purchasing the piece of land. Unfortunately with the covenants on the section and the uncertainty about access and car parking if the district club sold in the future meant it wasn't a good option for us.

Paetara Aspiring Central was completed in the middle of the year. Way, way back when the facility was first developed they had an upstairs space drawn on their plans that the bridge club could use. Unfortunately due to the cost of earthquake strengthening this space and the fact the council has no extra money for anything they decided not to do anything with upstairs at this stage. We carefully assessed the facility and after completing a list of pros and cons the committee decided the space they would allocate to us was really not suitable. I have the plans here tonight if anyone wishes to look at them with me after.

We have approached several developers around town about if they have any lands available to lease or purchase that we could put a permanent or relocatable building on. We have one option in the pipeline at present but as their staff member is on leave at present they are unable to do anything more until the new year.

In the meantime things are working well at here at the church. We know its not perfect by any means but we are looking at it as a stepping stone towards greater things

I look forward to presenting you with more positive information in 2024