

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

At the start of the year, we decided that we wanted to focus our attention on:

- Rebranding of the church name and media
- o Kitchen floor and refurbishment project
- o Brickwork in south west corner of Moorebank church
- o Improve safety of church driveway to Lucas Avenue
- o Remedial action required on Moorebank Belltower
- Upgrade of staging at the front of Moorebank church

Major Property Projects

- Remediation work on the Moorebank church bell tower has commenced (Monday 19 November). The total cost of the remediation work is \$14,500. This has been a complex project to determine the best solution.
 Special thanks are owed to Ben Nugteren for his expert assistance and diligence in bringing the project to this point.
- Consultation is under way to determine the requirements of speakers, singers and musicians before work is begun on the changes to the stage area at Moorebank. Once these requirements are identified – the proposed works and changes will be displayed for comment with a view to completing this project in early 2019.
- The kitchen refurbishment at Moorebank church was completed last term, and the southwest corner of the church was repaired last term. A bollard was installed at the Lucas Ave end of the church driveway to improve safety.

Government and Community grant funding applications

We currently have two grant funding applications under active review:

- 1. Approximately \$5,000 for lockable partitions at Moorebank.
- 2. Approximately \$15,000 for wheel chair accessible toilet at Hammondville. This is a matching grant that if successful will require us to pay \$15,000 to complete the project.

We were very pleased to be granted, just this week, approximately \$30,000 to install a 30kW solar energy array at Moorebank.

Progress on the Five year plan

No progress has been made on the five year property plan proposed at the 2017 AGM.

Financial Update

At the end of October we were running a shortfall of \$14,934. You can see monthly budget updates in the weekly news. We are asking that you prayerfully consider whether you might be able to make an extra contribution in the next six weeks. That is, something in addition to your regular giving to help us eliminate our budget shortfall by the end of the year.

SPECIAL PROJECTS Update

You may remember we asked you to contribute towards 4 special projects that arose out of matters that we considered at our AGM earlier in the year.

| | | Estimated Cost - \$ |
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| • | NIV2011 Church Bibles (Hammondville / Moorebank) | 4,000 |
| • | Upgraded Audio Visual Computer (Moorebank) | 2,000 |
| • | Upgraded church signage (Walder Rd and Nuwarra Rd) | 10,000 |
| • | Lockable mobile partitions for Moorebank Church Hall | 5,000 |

One of them is crossed out because it's already completed – we have been enjoying the benefits of the new Moorebank computer.

For the last two items on the list:

- On further investigation, the church signage we were considering turns out to be significantly more expensive than anticipated. So it's back to the drawing board on that one!
- The lockable mobile partitions are the subject of a government grant application. We will let you know the results of our application as soon as they come through.

What about the Bibles?

We have already received more than 50% of the funding necessary to purchase new NIV2011 Church Bibles for Moorebank and Hammondville. Can we knock this over so that we can start 2019 with a new pew Bible?

If you want to donate to either a project or fixing the budget shortfall, the church bank account details are Name: Moorebank Anglican Parish BSB: 032 379 Account no.: 347 653

If you are donating towards a project include a keyword in the description field that indicates this. I.e. 'Bibles'

Further questions can be directed to the wardens, Kerrie Oxlade, David Smith and Nikhil Kurien at mhacwardens@gmail.com or the Parish Council Secretary Margaret Brown at teragram@smartchat.net.au