



Anglican Diocese of Grafton

Centre Closure Workshop

Key Issues

- Deconsecration
- Memorials
- Sale processes
- Care and insurance

Deconsecration

- Anglican owned places of worship are dedicated or consecrated for that purpose
- Change of ownership or use must be preceded by deconsecration
- Deconsecration is by the Bishop
- Deconsecration can happen after a thanksgiving service or incorporate a thanksgiving service

Memorials

- Donations and gifts are donations and gifts.
- However, the disposition of memorials and special objects should be considered:
 - Relocation to another place of worship
 - Relocation of plaques
 - Donation to family
 - Donation to community
- Parish Council to consider and advise Registrar

Other issues

- Graves, columbaria, memorial gardens
- Bequests

Sale processes

- Requires ordinance
- Decision of Corporate Trustees
- Buildings and Property Committee advised
- Parish views considered:
 - Method of sale
 - Choice of agent

Care

- Parish to continue to care for property until sold
- Parish to provide a local contact person for agent
- Insurance maintained
- Consider if electricity connection is required