



MIDDLE RIDGE UNITING CHURCH  
264 Stenner St Middle Ridge

16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> June 2023

## Presbytery Property Committee

### Points of prayer

- That we can purchase a suitable residence for the CBW RAM ministry agent.
- That we will be good stewards of God's properties, vehicles and other physical assets.
- That all maintenance and missional projects are free from injury and completed to a glorifying standard.

### Report

The Presbytery Property Committee (PPC) comprises Jenny Noble, Gordon Gillmore, Ian Darnell and Rev Rob Callow. The committee continues to meet monthly overseeing matters associated with presbytery owned properties and supporting congregations and church councils in property issues.

Work continues towards purchasing a residence in Charleville for the next ministry agent of the Cunnamulla Burke & Wills Remote Area Ministry (CBW RAM). The Cunnamulla church property sold for a favourable \$161,500; this money will go towards the purchase of the new Charleville residence. We hope that the Wandoan manse will also sell (soon) and provide the remainder of funds needed to complete a purchase in Charleville. Our current Wandoan tenants has given us official notice of their departure, therefore there are no concerns about "forcing people onto the streets". The PPC publicly expresses its gratitude to John and Jillian Little for being exceptional tenants.

The Presbytery office has turned out to be a longer project than first hoped. We have experienced significant delays in the arrival of furniture. However, all furniture should be in place by the time the Council of Presbytery meets. In the meantime, despite the extended disorganisation, the office is an operational space and the site of plenty of business already.

Delays also continue to frustrate property boundary matters at the Ravensbourne church property. The Synod property officer, Justin Greenway, is slowly "turning around" the local authorities and a resolution seems likely. Concluding this matter should clear the way to selling the property after the official closure of the congregation on 13 August.

The committee continues to work on policies and practices related to our presbytery cars and trailer. We are bringing together a mix of existing policies and firsthand knowledge to develop these documents.

## Recommendations

1. That the report be received.

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**If you have questions, please email before the meeting.**