

**GSTHW – General Synod/Te Hīnota Whānui
(Title B/ Canon I/ Clauses 1 and 2 – ie B/I/1-2)**

Organisational Chart Key 2026 (updated June 2026)

Commissions

CCC – Climate Change Commission (GSTHW 2018 Motion 20/GSSC Oct 2024)

CLLC – Common Life Liturgical Commission (B/XXX)

CDTQ – Commission on Doctrine and Theological Questions (B/ XVII)

MSC – Ministry Standards Commission (D/II)

TeK – Te Kotahitanga (A Standing Commission for oversight of theological education, ministry training and formation, and other education and training relevant to advancing the mission and ministry of the church). Governors of SJTC – St John’s Theological College (E/II/3), and have a sub-committee KLOC – The Kinder Library Oversight Committee (E/II/3.12.8).

TTYC – Tikanga Toru Youth Commission (B/XXXVI) [In recess by GSSC Mar 2025]

Commission on Treaty & Partnership Issues (only convened by GSSC when required to consider matters related to the Treaty of Waitangi and the three Tikanga partnership) (B/XXXI)

Treaty/ Tiriti, Church and Nation Commission (strengthens the Treaty of Waitangi / Tiriti o Waitangi in the life of the Church and in Aotearoa New Zealand as a whole, and the Three Tikanga character of this Church) (B/XXXIII)

Boards

AIB – Anglican Insurance Board (B/XXXII)

AMB – Anglican Missions Board (B/IX)

ASO – Anglican Schools Office Board (SR Standing Resolution - A7)

GCTB – General Church Trust Board (F/V)

NZACPB – New Zealand Anglican Church Pension Board (B/XIV)

SJCTB – St John’s College Trust Board (E/II/4)

TATB – Te Aute Trust Board (SRA6 and A6b)

SSQVSTB – St Stephens and Queen Victoria Schools Trust Board (SRA5 and A6)

TEKORO – Te Korowai Trust Board (GSTHW 2024 Motion 11/GSSC July 2024)

Councils/Committees

ACMO – Anglican Communications and Media Office (B/XIX)

CAWS – Council for Anglican Womens Studies (B/XXXV)

A&H – Archives and History Committee / Te Puna Nehera (B/X)

CFE – Council for Ecumenism (B/XVIII)

JC – Judicial Committee (C/IV)

Statutes and Canons Committee (C/III/6 and SO 83.2 and 3)

TeKau - Te Kaunihera (St John's College Governors) (E/II)

Tribunals

Church of England Empowering Act 1928 Tribunal (considers appeals regarding a departure from the Doctrine and Sacraments of Christ as defined in clause one of the Constitution) (1928 Act/4e and 5)

Church Lands Tribunal (can establish if land which is Trust property has been acquired from Maori for a purpose narrower or more restrictive than the trust imposed on that land by Crown Grant or otherwise when the land was vested in the Church or any person on behalf of the Church) (F/VII)

Doctrine Tribunal (decides all questions of Doctrine referred to it by a group of at least seven people, one of whom must be a Bishop, one a priest or deacon, and one a lay person) (C/V)

TUIA – General Synod Office

GenSec - General Secretary (B/I/5) – with Administrators (2 FTE) provides administrative, secretarial and financial services to much of the above and below.

GSTHW Staff – Women's Studies Administrator (part-time), Taonga Editor (Magazine and Online), Disability Ministry Educators (2 half time), MSC Registrar (contracted part time).

GSSC – General Synod Standing Committee (B/I/3)

Chaired by the three Archbishops (The Primacy), plus one member from each Hui Amorangi and each Pākehā Diocese, plus three from Pasefika, plus one youth/Rangatahi from each Tikanga.

Sub Committees (permanent)

DAC – Distribution Advisory Committee (Finance, and advises GSSC and GCTB on the annual distribution and the GSTHW budgets) (B/I/4.4 and 4.5)

ESC – Employment Sub-Committee (advises GSSC and deals with GSTHW staff above) (B/I/3.11)

FRG – Funding Review Group (advises GSSC on annual SJCTB common-life funding applications)

OPC - Order Paper Committee (manages the GSTHW agenda and arrangements) (SO11)

SJSC – Social Justice Sub- Committee (manages the Social Justice Unit)

SWG – Small Working Groups (established for a set time/ project)

Bicultural Partnership (established by GSTHW 2016 to enact Motion 23)

Chancellors/Legal Advisors SWG (meets as required to advise on canonical/legal matters)

DoP Preparation Proposal for Tonga Diocese (est by GSSC February 2026)

Joint Chairs (Te Kotahitanga / St John’s College Trust Board / Te Kaunihera) – St John’s College Future (est by GSSC October 2025)

St John’s College Funding / Equity (est by GSSC March 2025)

Ecumenical Bodies and Dialogues

Anglican-Methodist Dialogue

ARCCANZ - Anglican Roman Catholic Churches of Aotearoa New Zealand Dialogue

CCA – Christian Conference of Asia

CEC - Churches Education Commission (*Launchpad*)

CWS - Christian World Service

ICB – InterChurch Bureau

ICBC – Interchurch Bioethics Council

ICHC – Interchurch Council for Hospital Chaplaincy

ICTCC – Inter-Church Tertiary Chaplaincy Council

Interfaith Dialogue

ITIM/ Vitae/ Workplace Support – Inter-Church Trade and Industrial Mission

NCLANZ - National Church Leaders of Aotearoa New Zealand

National Dialogue for Christian Unity in Aotearoa New Zealand

Orthodox

PCC – Pacific Conference of Churches (via Diocese of Polynesia)

SCM – Student Christian Movement

UCANZ – Uniting Congregations of Aotearoa New Zealand

WCC – World Council of Churches

International

ACC – Anglican Consultative Council

Lambeth Conference of Bishops (Each 10 Years)

Primates Meetings

Anglican Centre in Rome

IALC – International Anglican Liturgical Consultation

ELLC – English Language Liturgical Consultation

International Anglican Networks

AARDA – (or AA) Anglican Alliance for Relief, Development and Aid

ACEN – Anglican Communion Environmental Network

ACYN - Anglican Communion Youth Network

AHN – Anglican Health & Community Network

AIN – Anglican Indigenous Network

APJN – Anglican Peace and Justice Network

Commissions –

Interfaith

Inter Anglican Standing Commission on Unity, Faith & Order (IASCUFO)

Safe Church

Science

Theological Education (CTEAC)

IAFN – International Anglican Family Network

IAWN – International Anglican Womens Network (also meets annually at UNCSW – United Nations Consultation on the Status of Women)

Plant Anglican – Anglican Communion Church Planting Network