



**John Cleary**

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**From:** Bishop Peter  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 11 June 2013 9:24 AM  
**To:** Michael Elliott; John Cleary  
**Subject:** Fwd: Assisting the Diocese

Please find below comments from Robert Caddies.

Grace and peace,

+Peter

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Robert Caddies <REDACTED>  
**Date:** 9 June 2013 11:49:56 AM AEST  
**To:** Bishop Peter <[BishopPeter@newcastleanglican.org.au](mailto:BishopPeter@newcastleanglican.org.au)>  
**Subject:** RE: Assisting the Diocese

Dear +Peter

I am very happy to assist the Diocese in any way I can to be in a position to meet any questions put to the Diocese.

I presume you have asked the former Chairs of the Sexual Harassment Monitoring Committee (it had various names including the acronym C.A.S.M. ) from about 1994/5 when Bishop Roger established it until its being replaced by the Australia- wide Professional Standards protocol adopted for the Diocese.

+Roger had apparently seen the need for it from his NZ experience. The people who chaired it were Deirdre Anderson, Lyn Douglas and Jean Sanders. Mark Watson went to see Jean as they left the Cathedral congregation in Dean Rigney's time and are going nowhere in worship as far as I know. I think Father Mark found they were not ready to return to worship anywhere.

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These Chairpersons are far better informed than I am. You said "In my role as a member of the Audit Committee" but my real involvement was as a member of the Monitoring Committee principally and I gave a few talks on legal aspects. I had no exposure through the Audit Committee except an address by Mr Elliott to the Audit Committee as a whole and otherwise in passing in a general accounting sense. I am sure all would be willing to help. The first two of these people bore the role as to specific people entirely by themselves. The Committee was only involved in establishing protocols, procedures, training days and training contact people etc. Jean spoke to me in a more inclusive way but only I think because I was a lawyer and was seeking direction. I doubt otherwise the Committee members were consulted. I was on that Committee for about 10 years from memory.

In my view the Committee had no real place in serious matters of abuse and I said that in training sessions. They were matters for the police.

I passed my notes on to my successor, Simon Cotterill, who was only on the Committee for a short time until my firm parted ways with the Diocese, so I no longer have my file. It may be in the firm's records when Simon left. All of these people are still in Newcastle.

I will make enquiries as to whether my file on CASM still exists but I doubt it that it does. I have no files from Rankin Nathan on any matters of this type and certainly none from clients except a couple of my own family's files.

Regards  
Robert Caddies

-----Original Message-----

From: Bishop Peter [<mailto:BishopPeter@newcastleanglican.org.au>]

Sent: 09 June 2013 09:17

To: REDACTED

Subject: Assisting the Diocese

Dear Robert

I am very grateful indeed for your brief comment this morning after worship that you are happy to assist the Diocese in the manner of my letter. I will let Scott Puxty know.

Be assured of my prayers and good wishes

Grace and peace,

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