

Robert Caddies

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Sent: Wednesday, 20 May 2015 10:20 AM
To: 'rncaddies@REDACTED'
Subject: Letter from Bishop Gregory Thompson
Attachments: Letter to Robert Caddies 20 May 2015.pdf

Dear Mr Caddies

Please find attached letter from Bishop Gregory Thompson.

regards

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The Anglican Diocese of Newcastle

The Right Reverend Gregory Thompson
Bishop of Newcastle

20 May 2015

Mr Robert Caddies
email: rncaddies@REDACTED

Dear Mr Caddies

Ms Dalmazzone simply advised you on my behalf of the responsibility comply with the code of conduct known as "Being Together".

She also advised you of my intention not to enter into further correspondence with you because those responsible for writing to me earlier this year (including yourself) circulated their correspondence to others and eventually to the Herald. I cannot trust that they will ensure appropriate behaviour in their correspondence with me. I have no confidence in them.

You will be alert to the fact that the circulation of emails to others is a form of publication. When those emails contain untrue and unfounded comments, they risk causing reputational harm. You have also indicated that I can expect to read more of the business of the Diocese in the Newcastle Herald and elsewhere. I will not hesitate to protect the reputation of the Diocese and Diocesan staff.

In your email, you accuse me of threatening and intimidating a person as well as interfering with the legitimate workings of Synod. There is nothing in the email sent by Ms Dalmazzone of that nature. Your assertions are wrong and if they have been circulated to any others they are defamatory. I now request that you retract your statements, assure me that you did not circulate your email (or draft versions of it) to any other person or assure me that if you did circulate your email (or drafts) that you advise me who they are and that you have sent them a copy of your retraction.

Your suggestion that I do not communicate with you or others is nonsensical. It is simply that I choose to communicate in a manner and with content different to that which you wish.

Each of the decision making bodies has brought rigour and diligence to their task to ensure a good long term outcome for the Diocese.

I would ask that after you have given me the assurances requested above you refrain from further correspondence with me on this matter.

Yours sincerely

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