



## *Anglican Diocese of Newcastle*

### **MEDIA STATEMENT**

**27 October 2014**

#### **CASE STUDY 3**

Bishop Greg Thompson, the Bishop of Newcastle, made the following statements today following the release of findings by the Royal Commission.

First and foremost I want to reiterate my deep concern that people who looked to the church for care and support were treated so badly.

Secondly, I want to assure the community of my commitment to ensure the safety of all people involved with activities associated with the Anglican Church in the Diocese of Newcastle.

I have been asked specifically about the finding relating to recommendations relating to parish safety and I can confirm that safety arrangements monitored in accordance with the Diocesan policies are in place in relation to Allan Kitchingman.

I will be looking at the report in detail over the coming days to see if there are other areas requiring attention or action.

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