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Bishopscourt

The Anglican Synod in October last year gave the Diocesan Council the greenlight to consider the sale of Bishopscourt. In making that decision, the Synod did as Bishop Greg Thompson asked and considered "the economics of having this property, the suitability of it as the home of the Bishop and family, and the historic sentiment of previous bishops who lived within it." The Diocesan Council approved the sale in March.

The proceeds of the sale will go towards providing a residence for the Bishop of Newcastle and any additional funds will be invested to both look after that property and to assist with the costs of episcopal ministry in the Diocese.

Bishopscourt has been the home to 7 of the 13 bishops of Newcastle.

The Diocese of Newcastle is not alone in making this sort of decision. Dioceses like Including Brisbane, Tasmania, Adelaide, Rockhampton, Bathurst, Riverina, Perth, North Queensland, Canberra-Goulburn have done the same over the last 100 years.

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