

Catalyst Patrons



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to Catherine, John, Gay, Richard, Margaret, Julie, Carmel, catalyst-for-renewal, Michael

Dear colleagues,

The paper on patrons that was tabled at the 7 November XC meeting is again attached. I don't recall that we actually adopted the recommendations of the report at that meeting and the draft minutes that I have seen confirm that impression by not recording that a resolution was passed. Therefore I propose to move for support of the recommendations at the meeting on 20 February.

To further advance the matter, I propose to also move:

- that Robert Fitzgerald be invited to become (again) a patron of Catalyst; and
- that discussion be initiated with Susan Pascoe to determine her interest in accepting an invitation to become a Catalyst patron.

We would thereby be adding two laypersons, one female and one male to our current body of five patrons. To me, the appointment of Robert is obvious. I have selected Susan from our list of potential patrons because she has the highest profile, has had (I think) prior association with Catalyst (whereas the alternatives have not, afaik) and is a friend of Geraldine. We could ask Geraldine to make the initial approach to her. Information about Susan is [here](#).

This leaves open the appointment of a bishop, the selection of which I believe needs more discernment by the members. There is support for Peter Ingham and for Vincent Long and Shane Mackinlay is newly on our horizon. I think this should be further canvassed at the next Members' meeting and beyond, with a view to making a decision at the May meeting.

What do you think? We don't have to make any decisions until our meeting on 20 February.

For your consideration.

Warmly,

Bob