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Title	Expression of Interest – Net Zero Steering Committee, Michael Mathias				
Type of Paper	For Approval				
Assembly or ASC Minute	ASC 23.07				
Consultation	Net Zero Steering Committee Chair, Richard Arnold				
Purpose	Expression of Interest for an additional Group member.				
Rationale & Findings Summary	This group has struggled with a small membership. The Committee Chair, through personal approach has engaged with this potential member who is an excellent addition to the Committee, as it aligns with their position within a major Uniting Church Agency (Uniting NSW.ACT). Input from the Agencies is critical, as it is likely that they are the largest source of emissions related to the Uniting Church.				
Attachments	None				
Proposals	That the Assembly Standing Committee: 1. Approve Michael Mathias as a member of the Net Zero Steering Committee				
Submitted by	Lindsay Cullen Associate General Secretary				

Expression of Interest Form for Assembly Committees or Task Groups

Basis of Union:

The Uniting Church recognises that responsibility for government in the Church belongs to the people of God by virtue of the gifts and tasks which God has laid upon them.

Constitution:

The Assembly shall have determining responsibility in matters of doctrine, worship, government and discipline, including the promotion of the Church's mission, establishment of standards of theological education and the reception of ministers from other denominations, and is empowered to make final decisions on all matters related to the Constitution of the UCA.

Name of the Committee / Task Group:

Net Zero Steering Committee

Brief description of the Mandate / Terms of Reference for this body:

To gather data on commitments to emission reductions made across the life of the Church, share stories, expertise and learnings and consider how the whole of the church can move together to net zero emissions by 2040 at the latest.

Personal Information:

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Affix photo here	Name: Michael Mathias						
	(Please complete as relevant)						
	Congregation:						
	Presbytery:						
	Synod: UNITING	NSW.	ACT				
What skills and experience will you bring to the Committee / Task Group? Manager, Environmental Sustainability for Uniting NSW.ACT for past 13 years, achieved Gold Partnership with NSW Sustainability Advantage Program							
What if any relevant exp Worked for Uniting 13 ye	•	d in the	life of the Ch	urch?			
What if any relevant qua Bachelor of Science, Gr Law, Grad Dip Legal Pra	ad Dip Environmenta		gement, Mas	ters Environm	ental S	tudies, Diploma of	
Age range	Under 30		30-59		60+ y	60+ yes	
Ministry category	Lay			Ordained			
Location	Remote Rural			Regional Centre		City yes	
What cultural and linguis	stic background do yo	ou have	?				

Referees: (Please list the names and contact details of two people to act as referees for you in regard to this role)

- 1. Simon Furness Director Property & Housing Uniting NSW.ACT sfurness@uniting.org
- 2. Emma Maiden, General Manager Advocacy & External Relations Uniting NSW.ACT emaiden@uniting.org

If you are not appointed to this body, are you willing for Assembly to retain a copy of this form, and to consider you for appointment to a relevant task group in the future? YES / NO

Signature: _ M M AL	Date:	26/10/2023	
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