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Dear Jan Paterson, Mary-Lou Davidson, Teaching Staff, Support Staff and Marian College Community

Following the excellent feedback that I received on the preferred option of the new Marian College being built on its current site at the Catholic Cathedral precinct, I have decided to defer the decision for the new Bishop while further investigations are completed.

The feedback, which was received from a cross-section of the community, raised valid points that require further study.

I wish to thank all those who participated. I want to particularly thank the Marian College Board, staff and families for their patience and hard work during these five difficult years. The Diocese is fully committed to the future of Marian College

We must be 100% sure of our reasoning when the final decision is made and, with a new Bishop soon to be appointed, it would seem appropriate for him, with our guidance, to have input into this final decision.

Either myself or the new Bishop will report back once these further investigations have been completed.

Many thanks for your input and patience

God bless



Reverend Rick Loughnan
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