

At Saltcoats and within Saltcoats: New Trinity Church on Tuesday 5th October 2010, which place and date the Presbytery of Ardrossan met and was constituted by the Moderator, the Reverend Gillean P Maclean BD.

Sederunt:

Revd G P Maclean (Moderator) Mr A K Saunderson (Clerk pro tem)
Revd's M S Cameron, N Cruickshank, D Granger, D J H Harbison, D J Hebenton,
A M McCance, R I T Macdonald, A F McGurk, M H Mackay, A B Noble,
B H Oxburgh, F C Ross, I M Roy, S J Smith, J Teasdale, M Thomson, A S Taylor,
V G C Watson, J Whyte **(Ministers)**
S Brown, A Buick, A T Butcher, J Cameron, A Campbell, A Cochrane, J Forsyth,
I Hackney, E Halliwell, A D C Hamilton, J Hunter, R Jarvie, M G Kellock, R Kelso,
J Laurie, R Lavalette, S Lavalette, A Lees, V Macdonald, G K McConnell, J T McGill,
S McLellan, S McMahan, J M McSwan, N Martin, K Milne, T Muston,
R A Richardson, G Ross, E Sillars, E Taylor, K Tudor, A C Watt, K S Welch,
R F Welch.**(Elders)**
J C Q Hunter, H Knight, R McCool, N Smith **(Corresponding Members)**

Apologies

Revd's A Adamson, M L K Howie, A DF McCallum, J J McNay, D R Mitchell,
E L R Watson. **(Ministers)**
J Aitken, G Cunningham, W McKay, S Marr, C Massie, J Porter, A Pringle, C Welch,
J Welsh **(Elders)**
M A Broster, A Currie, A Montgomerie, M M B Ross **(Corresponding Members)**

Appointment of Presbytery Clerk Pro tempore

The Business Convener advised that the resignation of the Revd Dr Johnston R McKay, would be dealt with under the Business Committee Report. It was thereafter agreed to appoint Mr Alan K Saunderson as Clerk pro tem. Thereafter the Moderator administered the Oath to Mr Saunderson.

Minutes – The minutes of the meeting held in Lamalsh Parish Church on Saturday 4th September 2010 (pages 12-14) having been circulated – were approved.

Correspondence – the Clerk pro tem reported that the following correspondence had been received

- Extract Minutes from the Kirk Sessions of Stevenston: Ardeer & Stevenston Livingstone regarding proposed revised times of Public Worship Services.
- Revd Dr Johnston McKay – Resignation as Presbytery Clerk.
- West Sound Radio Programme Advisory Group (minutes of meeting)
- Panel on Review and Reform – information regarding the ongoing work of the Panel in respect of Mission and Presbytery Reform.
- Revd Dr Johnston R McKay intimating that he wishes to resign his seat in Presbytery at the date of an Induction to Kilwinning: Old Parish Church and requesting that he be granted a Practising Certificate.
- Safeguarding Office – notification regarding the interim arrangements being put in place to facilitate the transition between Enhanced Disclosure Checks and Vetting and Barring Scheme Reports.
- **And in addition that an Extract Minute had been received from Largs: St Columba's regarding the letting of the Manse during the current vacancy.**

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Order of Business

The Order of Business was approved.

Roll of Presbytery

It was agreed to note the addition to the Roll of Mrs Ann Turner Elder at Saltcoats: St Cuthbert's as an Additional Elder.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Business Committee

For the committee the convener moved and it was seconded and agreed that Presbytery:

- i. Receive with regret the resignation of the Revd Dr Johnston R McKay from the office of Presbytery Clerk from 10th September 2010, and instruct the Clerk pro tem to write to Dr McKay and express the thanks of Presbytery for all of the work undertaken by him over the past 6 years as Clerk.
- ii. Note that Revd Dr Johnston R McKay will resign his seat in Presbytery from the date of an Induction to the Charge of Kilwinning: Old Parish Church and agree that he be granted a Practising Certificate from that date.
- iii. Express thanks to the Minister and Kirk Session of Largs: Clark Memorial Church for allowing a Presbytery Office to be set up within the Church for use of the Clerk Pro Tem, in the interim period.
- iv. Approve revised times of worship agreed by the Kirk Sessions of Stevenston: Livingstone L/w Stevenston: Ardeer, from the first Sunday in January 2011: Ardeer at 10.a.m. and Livingstone at 11.30 a.m. rotating annually.

Property Committee

For the committee the convener moved and it was seconded and agreed that Presbytery:

- i. Approve a request from the Kirk Session of Largs: St Columba's to let the Manse during the current vacancy, subject to the approval of the General Trustees.
- ii. Grant to the Committee approval to instruct the final round of Property Survey Reports. The congregations to be involved: Brodick, Beith High, Corrie, Kilbirnie: Auld, Lamlash (Church only, Manse having been done in last round), Saltcoats New Trinity. The committee recommends that CRPG again be instructed, noting that they have agreed to hold their prices to that quoted 4 years ago and that reports received to date have been satisfactory.

Ministries Committee

For the committee the convener moved and it was seconded and agreed that Presbytery:

- i. Note receipt of the Annual Part Time Hospital Chaplain's report from the Revd Elizabeth Watson and instruct the Clerk pro tem to forward the report to Ministries Council.

Stewardship and Finance Committee

For the committee the Convener noted that in terms of Standing Order 34, the Convener gives Notice of Motion that at the **November meeting of Presbytery** that the committee will move:

- i. The approval of Ministries and Missions Contributions for 2011 (Reports Pages 56- 58)
- ii. Resolve that the option to reduce the overall allocation by 3% be held over with a view to help facilitate any possible Presbytery or Congregational mission initiative, arising from the result of the current Health Check process.

Church and Society Committee

For the committee the convener moved and it was seconded and agreed that Presbytery:

- i. Receive a report on the recent conference that the Vice Convener attended.

Presbytery to meet on Tuesday 2nd November 2010 at 7.30pm for the conduct of ordinary business, the Business Committee to meet on Wednesday 20th October 2010 at 3.00pm.

Thereafter the meeting was closed with Prayer

Moderator

Clerk Pro Tem