

At Saltcoats and within Saltcoats: New Trinity Church on Tuesday 9th April 2013, which place and date the Presbytery of Ardrossan met and was constituted by the Immediate Past Moderator, the Reverend Martin Thomson, Bsc, Dip Ed, BD.

Sederunt:

Revd M Thomson (Moderator) Mr A K Saunderson (Clerk)

Ministers:

M S Cameron, I S Currie, D J H Harbieson, M Hickman, R I T Macdonald, M H Mackay, A M McCance, I M Roy, A S Taylor, J Teasdale, J Whitecross.

Elders:

K Anderson, J Aitken, M Brown, J Cameron, A Campbell, A Cochrane, G Cunningham, I Hacknet, A C D Hamilton, J C Q Hunter, R Jarvie, R Lavalette, A Lees, S Marr, G K McConnell, R McLean, S McLellan, S McMahon, J M McSwan, A Pringle, R A Richardson, A Turner, A Todd, K Tudor, A C Watt, K S Welch, J Welsh.

Corresponding Members:

E Barclay, A Currie, R McCool, N Smith, M M B Ross.

Apologies:

Ministers:

R A Adamson, N Cruickshank, A Falconer, D Granger, D J Hebenton, M L K Howie, A D McCallum, J J McNay, A B Noble, F C Ross, S J Smith, E R L Watson, T Webster.

Elders:

A K Butcher, M Cooper, M Duff, G H Gregory, R Kelso, J T McGill, W Mackay, A Martin, C Massie, K Milne.

Corresponding Members:

B H Mackay, H Knight.

The Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 5th March 2013 (Pages 9 -12) having been circulated, were approved.

Correspondence

- (a) **Ardrossan: Park Church** – Extract Minute regarding work required to be done on the Montgomery Hall.
- (b) **SERCO** – Chaplaincy Vacancy at HMP Kilmarnock.
- (c) **Jane B Marr** – Safeguarding Training Information
- (d) **ICO** – Renewal Confirmation (Data Protection)
- (e) **Solicitor of the Church** – Circular regarding Data Protection. This has been sent to all Session Clerks within the bounds of Presbytery.

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- (f) **West Kilbride Parish Church** – Extract minute regarding the sale of the former Overton Parish Church Building.
- (g) **Kilwinning: Mansefield Trinity** – Extract Minutes regarding Interim Ministry.
- (h) **Solicitor of the Church & Stewardship Department** – Small Gift Aid, this has been sent to all Congregational Treasurers within the Bounds

Order of Business

The Order of Business was moved. As circulated with the addition of a new item V in the Business Committee Report, regarding the Electoral register of Saltcoats; St Cuthbert's.

Guest Speaker

Mr Adrian Shaw: Church and Society Council

Gordon McConnell introduced Mr Shaw, who was also accompanied by Kate Aspenwall (Elder at Saltcoats: St Cuthbert's) who is also a member of the Church & Society Council.

At the conclusion of his Address Mr Shaw was thanked by the Moderator.

Reception of Readers and Candidate for the Ordained Local Ministry

Mr Ron Lavalette introduced the Readers and Student. Those attending the Dinner and Reception were Mrs Elizabeth Barclay, Mr Archie Currie, Mrs Jean Hunter, Mr Bert McCool, Mrs Nicky Smith, Mr Magnus Ross, Mrs Elizabeth Clark

Mrs Jean Hunter spoke on behalf of the Readers and Student and thereafter the Moderator acknowledged the great contribution made by the Readers to the work of the Presbytery and wider Church.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Appraisal Committee

For the Committee the Convener moved and it was seconded and agreed that Presbytery:

- i. **Kilwinning: Mansefield Trinity** – Note that Extract Minutes have been received indicating that the Kirk Session have voted to accept an Interim Ministry and that at a Congregational Meeting held on 17th March 2013, 75 members voted for and 0 against an Interim Ministry.
- ii. **Kilwinning: Mansefield Trinity** - Note with agreement of the Kirk Session and congregation, Presbytery resolve to appoint an Interim Minister to the vacant charge of Kilwinning: Mansefield Trinity. Appoint Wednesday 17th April 2013 for the Service of Introduction of the Revd Alan Ward (Interim Minister) Presbytery to meet at 7.00 p.m. and the Service to commence at 7.30 p.m.

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- iii. The Moderator to preside, the Revd Mandy Hickman to conduct and the Revd Stephen Smith to preach.

Business Committee

For the Committee the Convener moved and it was seconded and agreed that Presbytery:

- i. **Kilwinning: Mansefield Trinity** – Note that the Committee has agreed to designate Mr Ward’s home, 47 Meadowfoot Road, West Kilbride, KA23 9BU, the Manse, pro tem during the period of the Interim Ministry.
- ii. **Kilwinning: Mansefield Trinity** – Appoint the Revd Stephen Smith, Revd Roddy Macdonald and Mr Ron Lavalette to serve at Presbytery Representatives on the TSG (Support Group) Committee.
- iii. **Kilwinning: Mansefield Trinity** – Thank and discharge the Revd Stephen Smith as Interim Moderator at Kilwinning: Mansefield Trinity after the Service of Introduction for the Revd Alan Ward on Wednesday 17th April 2013.
- iv. **Moderator of the General Assembly** – Note that Mr and Mrs Bogle will be visiting the Presbytery from 20th – 28th April 2013. A dinner has been arranged at the Laurston Hotel on Saturday 20th April at a cost of £20.00 per person. Anyone wishing to attend this event should make payment to the Presbytery Treasurer no later than Friday 12th April 2013.
- v. **Saltcoats: St Cuthbert’s** – Note that the Clerk has attested the Electoral Register of the Congregation, containing 293 names of members.

Property Committee

For the Committee the Convener moved and it was seconded and agreed that Presbytery:

- i. **Ardrossan Park Church** – Grant permission to proceed with work to the Montgomery Hall roof at a cost of £7064.40
- ii. **West Kilbride Parish Church (In Private)** – Note the Kirk Session has accepted an offer of £51,000.00 for the former Overton Church Building.

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Presbytery to meet on Tuesday 7th May 2013 at 7.30 p.m. within Saltcoats: New Trinity Church for the conduct of Ordinary Business.

Business Committee to meet on Wednesday 24th April 2013 at 4.00 p.m. within Saltcoats: New Trinity Church.

The meeting was closed with Prayer.

_____ **Moderator**

_____ **Clerk**