

**Minutes of the Kirk Session meeting of Kilfinichen, Kilvickeon and the Ross of Mull
4 pm Saturday 12th March 2016, Bunessan Church Meeting Room**

1. Sederunt: Rev. Paul Beautyman, Interim Moderator, , Dr. Myra Waddell Assessor Elder, Dr. A. Todd, Local Assessor Elder, Mrs. Linda Dawson, Session Clerk, Mrs. G. Morley, Treasurer, Mrs. Emily Lawson, Miss Elizabeth MacLean, Mr. Andrew Smith and Mrs. Euphie Wood. Five members of the congregation were in attendance.

2. Apologies: Dr. Andy Henderson, Assessor Elder

3. Constitution: Rev. Paul Beautyman constituted the meeting with a prayer

4. Approval of agenda and declaration of items not on the agenda: approved, with one item added, Easter services.

5. Approval of minutes of 5th December 2015: These were approved as an accurate record.

6. Matters arising:

6.1 Update on the Vacancy: Parish Profile has been updated. Six replies from USA received. There is a long process to go through with the General Trustees at 121 George Street, Edinburgh before the Nominating Committee can interview any potential Ministers. It was suggested that Andrew Smith, Chair of the Nominating Committee seek clarification on how long the process takes.

6.2 World Day of Prayer Service: A welcoming service held in Creich Hall, thanks expressed to everyone who helped with the event.

6.3 Easter Services: Easter Day: It was noted that Ms. Jan Sutch-Pickard would be taking this service. As we have no Minister at the moment it was agreed that the beach service would not help this year. **Good Friday VIGIL:** would be held at 12 noon - 1 pm in St. Ernan's Church, Creich. A small group would prepare some short readings, reflection and silence.

7. Preparation for Annual Stated Meeting 12th March 2016: This would start at 6.30 pm in Bunessan Hall. After the meeting a pot luck supper would be provided followed by the Vision to discuss the way forward.

8. Approval of statistical return: The clerk read out the names of Members and Adherents. It was noted that people who had signed the Adherents form had not been included. This would be rectified by the Clerk and brought to the next meeting for signature.

9. Delegation of roles: Mrs. Lawson wished to nominate someone to take over the role of Congregational Board Clerk from Mrs. Linda Dawson. The Interim Moderator stated this would be discussed at the Vision evening. We currently have a small Kirk Session and it is important to know the gifts people are able to offer. Dr. Waddell explained in her Church there are 16 people on a rota who give the welcome, open the Church, put the hymn books out and make sure the place is warm. Further discussion would be held at the Vision.

10. Safeguarding: Nothing to report

11. Mull Mission 2016-Scripture Union: E-mail received from Martin Boyd who helped run the event last year. The dates suggested clash with Mendelssohn of Mull children's workshops, which take place through the week. Emily Wilkins and Catriona Joss who help at the event may not be available. Emily suggests that it would be better to postpone the event until the October holidays. This was agreed.

The Interim Moderator closed the meeting with prayer.

Date for the next meeting: 12 noon Saturday 11th June 2016, Meeting Room, Bunessan Church

Interim Moderator:

Session Clerk:

Date: