

**Minutes of the Kirk Session meeting of Kilfinichen, Kilvickeon and the Ross of Mull 8.30 pm
Tuesday 4th February 2020, Bunessan Church Meeting Room**

1. Sederunt: Rev. Jenny Earl, Minister, Mrs. Linda Dawson, Session Clerk, Mrs. Emily Lawson, Mr. Jon Lloyd, Mr. Andrew Smith and Mrs. Euphie Wood.

2. Constitution: Rev. Jenny Earl constituted the meeting with a prayer

3. Approval of agenda and declaration of items not on the agenda:

One item added: Statistical return. All other items were approved.

4. Approval of minutes of 18th December 2019:

There was one amendment: the date of the meeting with the Presbytery of Argyll would now be held on Tuesday 18th February in St. Ernan's Church, Creich. All other items were approved as an accurate record, proposed by Mr. Andrew Smith, seconded by Mrs. Emily Lawson

5. Matters Arising:

5.1 Feedback from the Ecumenical Service: this yearly event was held at Salen Church on 19th January, led by Jenny with contributions of hymns, readings or prayers from members of all the churches on the island. This was a very enjoyable occasion, the church was full and refreshments were served afterwards.

6. Worship:

6.1 World Day of Prayer: 7 pm Friday 6th March in Creich Hall. The service has been prepared by the Christian women of Zimbabwe. Emily agreed to ask for volunteers to take part in the service.

Refreshments would be served afterwards. Linda would check the availability of the hall with Alison

Action: LD/EL/ALL

6.2 Joint Service with Iona: 10.30 am Sunday 26th April St. Ernan's Church, Creich and the theme suggested would be "Spring." This is an annual event and Iona would be invited to join us. Refreshments would be served afterwards.

6.3 Easter Services: these were discussed and agreed and would be held as follows:

Maundy Thursday 9th April 7 pm St. Ernan's Church, Creich

Good Friday Vigil 10th April 12-3 pm Bunessan Parish Church

Easter Sunday 12th April:

8 am Short beach service at the split rock

Fionnphort followed by refreshments in the kiosk

10.30 am service St. Ernan's Church, Creich with Holy Communion

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6.4 Worship Leader Training: these would be led by the Rev. Dr. Roderick Campbell from the Presbytery of Argyll and held at the following times, dates and venues. Jenny had been approached by interested participants on the Ross of Mull, which was very encouraging:

First Session:

1.30-4.30 pm Friday 14th February

10 am - 4.30 pm Saturday 15th February

These would both be held at Torosay Church, Craignure

Second Session:

10.30 - 4.30 pm Saturday 7th March, Pennyghael Hall

Items to take: bible, hymn book, notebook and a packed lunch on the Saturday

7 Unitary Constitution: As some of the Elders were unclear about the process, it was agreed to delay a decision until the meeting with the Presbytery of Argyll on Tuesday 18th February.

8. Future of Ministry on the island: Two members from the Presbytery of Argyll would be visiting to discuss the Church buildings on the Ross of Mull. Jenny agreed to send out an invitation to all the members of the Church and notices would be displayed locally informing everyone in the community who wished to attend. This is an important meeting on the future of the Churches. **Action: JE/ALL**

2 pm Thursday 20th February St. Ernan's Church, Creich

9. Presbytery Elder: Linda was asked if she would be willing to continue in the role, this was confirmed and agreed by all present. The form would be completed and sent to Presbytery. Jenny informed everyone that it would be a good experience to come to one of the Presbytery meetings.

10. Safeguarding: Jon informed the meeting there were no issues to report. It was suggested that a meeting of the panel would be held during April. Jon would confirm his availability. **Action: JL**

"if harm or abuse is suspected or witnessed, or is reported to you, it should immediately be reported to the Safeguarding Co-ordinator who must then contact the Safeguarding Service for verbal and written advice."

11. Approval of Statistical Return: The clerk read out the names of Members and Adherents. The list was agreed by the Kirk Session. There are currently 27 members and 21 adherents.

The meeting ended with the grace

10. Time and date of next meeting: 8.30 pm Tuesday 10th March 2020 Meeting room, Bunessan Church.

Minister:

Session Clerk:

Date: