

Minutes of the Kirk Session meeting of Kilfinichen, Kilvickeon and the Ross of Mull 8.30 pm Tuesday 17th September 2019, Bunessan Church Meeting Room

1. Sederunt: Rev. Jenny Earl, Minister, Mrs. Linda Dawson, Session Clerk, Mrs. Emily Lawson, 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: item added Presbytery report, all other items approved.

4. Approval of minutes of 9th July 2019: These were approved as an accurate record, proposed by Mr. Andrew Smith seconded by Mrs. Emily Lawson

5. Matters Arising:

5.1 Feedback from the Songs of Praise 14th July: Bright and sunny day for the event with a good attendance. This was followed by a lovely afternoon tea and everyone enjoyed the fellowship together.

5.2 Feedback from the Harvest service 15th September: Good attendance in St. Ernan's Church which had been beautifully decorated. It was agreed to consider having the event in either Bunessan or Creich hall next year. Mrs. Linda Cameron kindly agreed to make vegetable soup from the proceeds of the harvest which would be distributed to people in the community who are not well, bereaved, feeling lonely or who might need a visit with a small harvest gift.

5.3 Rota: Linda agreed to organise for the next meeting. It is important to welcome people into the church. Jenny requested that the person on the door at Bunessan come into the church at 10.30 so the service can start on time. This is in order for Jenny to catch the Iona ferry for their service at 12 noon.

6. Worship:

6.1 Joint service at Pennyghael: Jenny agreed to discuss a possible date with the Treasurer of the Pennyghael committee.

Action: JE

6.2 Joint service with Iona Parish Church: This will be held at 12 noon on Sunday 29th September, followed by a light lunch. Transport has been arranged. People were asked to choose a favourite verse from the bible and give a short sentence on why. Please send to Jenny by 24th September with your preferred choice of Bible **Action: ALL**

6.3 Family Service: Jenny suggested that we hold a different type of service once a quarter to encourage families to come. This was agreed and the first one would be held during March 2020.

6.4 End of term service-Bunessan School: This would be held from 1.30 - 2.30 pm on Friday 20th December in Bunessan Church.

7. Presbytery Report: Linda read out the points discussed at the Presbytery Conference and a copy was circulated to the Elders.

8 Unitary Constitution: Would be discussed at the next meeting. Members were asked to bring the paper previously circulated. **Action: ALL**

9. Future of Ministry on the island: A meeting will be held from 2-4 pm on Tuesday 24th September in Torosay Church, Craignure. Two members from the Presbytery of Argyll would lead the meeting. Jenny and Liz Gibson together with all members of the Kirk Sessions on the island would be in attendance.

Safeguarding: there were no issues to report.

"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."

10. Time and date of next meeting: 8.30 pm Wednesday 6th October 2019 Meeting room, Bunessan Church.

Minister:

Session Clerk:

Date: