

**The Church of Scotland**

**The Presbytery of Kirkcaldy**

**Glenrothes: St Ninian's**

**6 November 2012**

**The Presbytery of Kirkcaldy met and was constituted in prayer by the Moderator, Mrs Myra Deas, assisted by Rev Allistair Roy, for the Celebration of Holy Communion, the transaction of urgent business and an address by Mr. Paul Wilson, Central Area Regional Organiser, Work Place Chaplaincy Scotland.**

**Celebration of Holy Communion**

The Moderator, having welcomed our guest speaker, led Presbytery in the Celebration of Holy Communion.

**Sederunt**

19 Ministers, 27 Elders, 1 Deacon and 7 Corresponding members as per the attendance sheets.

**Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received from 9 Ministers and 6 other Presbyters as recorded.

**Urgent Business**

Following Holy Communion, and a time of fellowship, Presbytery reconvened for two items of urgent business

**Fabric and Finance Committee**

The Moderator called for the report of the Fabric and Finance Committee which was given by the Convener, Mr. Brian Lumsden.

It was moved, seconded and agreed:

**Fabric and Finance Committee**

**1. Dysart St. Clair**

(i) Presbytery concurs with the decision of the Congregation of Dysart St. Clair that both the Manses of Kirkcaldy: Viewforth and Dysart be offered for sale and a replacement Manse be identified and purchased.

(ii) Presbytery refers this matter to the General Trustees for approval or otherwise.

**2. Markinch**

Presbytery notes that the Congregation of Markinch failed to submit by October 15, 2013 their Property Register and Manse Condition Schedule for annual inspection. The General Trustees will be advised accordingly in the return made by Presbytery for the year ending June 2013 together with details of the determinations made by Presbytery.

**3. Ministry and Mission Contributions 2014**

Presbytery approves the reductions proposed in respect of specific congregations for the 2014 Ministry and Mission contributions.

The allocation of the 3% reduction, £28,283, was made for Mission, Outreach, Fabric and Finance.

A summary of the papers issued by Presbytery is as follows:

Kirkcaldy: Bennochy and Glenrothes: St Margaret's have a £5500 reduction each which will be transferred to KART and GROW respectively.	£ 11,000
Kirkcaldy: Pathhead, Glenrothes: Christ's Kirk and Kinghorn Mission projects	£ 9,750
Kirkcaldy: St Bryce in respect of Outreach	£ 1,050
Kirkcaldy: St Bryce and Glenrothes: St Ninian's in respect of Fabric	£ 1,993
Auchtertool, Wellesley and Dysart St Clair are special cases for financial support	£ 4,490

The Fabric and Finance committee commends those congregations who made applications, for providing accurate information timeously.

### **Vacancy Procedure Committee**

The Moderator called for the report of the Vacancy Procedure Committee which was given by the Convener, Mrs. Jacqueline Thomson.

It was moved, seconded and agreed:

#### **1. Dysart St Clair**

Presbytery appoints Rev Jim Reid to serve as Interim Moderator at Dysart/St.Clair as from 10th November 2013.

### **Correspondence**

#### **Forwarded**

- 4 Sept Info re the Religious Education Movement Scotland website
- 6 Sept Mission and Discipleship Council E-news
- 7 Sept Info re Scottish Association of Pastoral Care and Counselling day conference
- 10 Sept Info re Moderator's Medal and Stevenson Prize
- 13 Sept Info re Census data by parish
- 13 Sept Church and Society Council e-news
- 16 Sept Letter from Ewan Aitken, Church and Society Council offering support
- 18 Sept e-mail from Janette Wilson re Data Protection
- 19 Sept E-mail from Ministries Council re Sickness Absence Procedure
- 20 Sept Credit Union Survey request from Ewan Aitken, Church and Society Council
- 23 Sept Updated info re Meikle and Paton Trust
- 25 Sept Church and Society Council e-news
- 30 Sept E-mail from Alternativity re Christmas resource
- 1 Oct Go For It October News
- 4 Oct Info re Shaping the Future consultations
- 9 Oct Info re Go For It annual conference
- 12 Oct Mission and Discipleship Council E-news
- 17 Oct E-mail from Janette Wilson re Charity Trustee Liabilities
- 18 Oct Church and Society Council e-news
- 25 Oct Invitation to Interfaith Week annual lecture
- 28 Oct Info re training for Future Focus Facilitators
- 28 Oct Invite from Auchtertool Church

#### **Clerk / Business Committee**

- 10 Sept New rep on Fife Council – Rev Mary Anne Rennie, Dunfermline.
- 17 Sept Practising Certificate and request for seat on Presbytery from Rev Dr George Nicol
- 24 Sept Nomination Committee Mailing

**Church and Society**

24 Oct SCPO October Newsletter

**Fabric and Finance**

20 Sept Copy of letter from General Trustees to Torbain

2 Oct Determination from General Trustees re sale of East Wemyss Church

9 Oct Copy of letter from General Trustees to Glenrothes Christ's Kirk

23 Oct Extract minutes from Dysart St Clair re sale of manses

28 Oct Annual reports to complete for General Trustees

**Ministries**

19 Sept E-mail from PPTG indicating that our Plan has been approved

30 Sept PPTG minute 17 September

28 Sept E-mail from Ministries Council re Candidates in our bounds for coming year

1 Oct Ministries Council re Lifting of moratorium on external recruitment

10 Oct Info from Ministries Council re Diaconal Training Review

11 Oct Template for use when drafting a Basis of Union (from Ministries Council)

21 Oct Letter from Ministries Council re recruitment process

**Mission and Discipleship**

10 Sept Mission and Discipleship Council Year Book

**Address from Guest Speaker**

The Moderator introduced our guest speaker, Mr Paul Wilson, to Presbytery.

Following his introduction Mr Wilson explained that WPCS is a Christian, non-denominational, non-political charity supported by organisations such as CBI Scotland, STUC and other Churches within Scotland. WPCS works with major retailers, shopping centres, manufacturing companies and the Emergency Services providing pastoral and spiritual support in the workplace regardless of background or beliefs.

Mr. Wilson emphasised the need to recruit additional WPCS staff and, in particular, referred to posts to cover in the Fire Service Scotland Fife Region and encouraged anyone interested to contact him.

Mr. Wilson asked and responded to a number of questions and comments.

At the conclusion of his address, the Rev. Allistair Roy, on behalf of Presbytery, thanked Mr. Wilson for his comprehensive contribution in explaining the work carried by WPCS in commerce, industry and local authority organisations in Scotland.

At the conclusion of the meeting the Moderator thanked the Minister of St. Ninian's for dispensing Holy Communion, the Elders for serving the Elements, the reader, the organist, the praise band, and the Office-bearers and members of the Congregation for the arrangements made for the Service and meeting.

**Adjournment**

Presbytery adjourned to meet on Tuesday 3 December 2013 in the St Bryce Kirk Centre at 7 pm for the transaction of ordinary business.

The Moderator closed the meeting with prayer.

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Moderator

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Clerk