

Campsie Parish Church

Kirk Session

Minutes of the meeting held at Campsie Parish Church on 3rd October 2017

Constitution The meeting was constituted with prayer

Present Rev. Jane Denniston (Moderator); Andrew Wale (Session Clerk); Christine Boyle, Catrina Cameron, George Kelly, Jim Thomson, Joan Thomson, Margaret Tindall, Andy Waugh, Alice Wilson, Elspeth Wright.

Apologies Marjory Adam, Alister Boyle.

Minutes

The minutes of the meetings of 27th June 2017 (proposed Margaret Tindall, seconded Christine Boyle) and of 26th August (proposed Joan Thomson, seconded Alice Wilson) were approved.

Matters arising

New Crosses

The new wooden cross at the front of the church was now in place; the shrubs around it would be trimmed to give it more prominence. A quotation was still awaited for the proposed cross for the roof.

Harvest Service

In future years, the Harvest Service would be held on the first Sunday in October, to coincide with the regular Lodging House Mission collection.

Communications

The first issue of the new bi-monthly newsletter was welcomed, and Muriel Connell congratulated on its content and appearance.

Rainbow Café

It was noted that there was a clash between the next Rainbow Café and an event in the Town Hall. After discussion it was agreed that there was no practical way of avoiding such clashes in future.

Finance and property

There was a verbal report on the meeting of the Property and Finance Committee. The minutes of that meeting are attached as Appendix 1 of these minutes.

Stewardship

It was agreed that a Stewardship event should be considered for 2018. Jane will investigate material used successfully by other congregations, but it was felt that it would not be productive to involve the Church's local Stewardship Consultant at this stage. A full Stewardship campaign would be time-consuming, and if it takes place it might be necessary to curtail other activities.

Acts of Random Kindness

Elspeth will organise the shortbread for the St. Andrew's Day event and Margaret will organise the lights and messages for the Christmas Lights event. Jane will speak to Ian Cairns about the Christmas Treasure Hunt.

Burns Supper

Jane will find out about someone who can stage a Burns Supper; Elspeth will organise the catering. There will need to be volunteers from the congregation (e.g. singers), and an overall organiser will have to be appointed.

Messy Church

Jane will speak to the young mothers about organising an initial meeting.

Alpha

Details of next year's Alpha have yet to be finalised.

Pastoral concerns

The Session noted with regret the death of William Dickson.

Car Parking

Organisations are still parking cars in the forecourt. It was agreed that another attempt be made to persuade them that the forecourt must be kept free at all times.

Minister's matters

Jane reported (with pleasure) that her thesis has now been delivered to the printer.

Next meeting

The next meeting will be on 7th November.

Close

The meeting closed with the Grace.

Moderator.....Session Clerk.....

