

## **KIRK SESSION 3 OCTOBER 2023**

### **DECIDED:**

- A team structure for pastoral care should be put in place, the aim being to form teams covering 7 geographical areas by the New Year. There should be at least five in each team, including one elder from each of the old congregations. Current pastoral care arrangements to remain in place in the meantime.
- A team led by Alan Buist would take forward the design of a new website with Ocho Consulting.
- To meet the cost of a cabinet for housing a defibrillator outside the church building.
- There would be a congregational meeting following the morning gathering on Sunday 26 November, primarily to afford the opportunity for feedback and questions on progress and any issues arising since the union, but also to update the congregation in relation to the most recent General Assembly and the forthcoming move to the new Presbytery of Highlands and Hebrides.
- In addition to the Finance Committee and the Fabric Committee, there should be an Outreach Team and a Catering Team, remits and composition to be taken forward.
- We should aim to hold holiday clubs in Inshes and Milton of Leys over the next year.

### **NOTED:**

- Chris Dixon had been offered, and had accepted the post of Ministry Associate with particular responsibility for the proposed church plant in Milton of Leys.
- Following a determination by the General Trustees authorising its sale, the East Church building is now advertised for sale generally. A similar determination in respect of the manse is awaited.
- The need to pray for, and encourage additional musicians to join the worship band for Sunday gatherings.
- The need for additional volunteers to join the rota for conducting the monthly service at Daviot Care Home.
- This year's Service of Remembering will be on the afternoon of Sunday 26 November.
- The programme of gatherings over the Christmas period this year - Candlelit Carol Service on the evening of Sunday 17 December; all-age gathering on the morning of Sunday 24 December, with no evening gathering on that day, but a Watchnight Service at 11.30pm; all-age gathering on Monday 25 December at 10.30am; all-age gathering on the morning of Sunday 31 December, with communion at the evening gathering on that day.