

## **KIRK SESSION OF CAMBUSLANG PARISH CHURCH MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 21<sup>st</sup> February 2023**

### **SEDERUNT:**

Rev. Peter Nimmo (Moderator), Seun Adediran, Jeanette Alexander, Isobel Allison, David Black, Robert Dickie, Colin Fell, Archie Fotheringham, Ishbel Gow, Scott Hamilton, Karen Hamilton DCS, Elizabeth Harbinson, Jan Ladd, Bob McDougall, Carol Menzies, Lorna Morrison, Linda Neeson, Helen Nisbet, James Nixon, Jan Ritchie, Hazel Robb, Janet Stewart, Linda Wunsch, Susan Young.

### **APOLOGIES:**

Margaret Black, Jean Black, Charlie Burns, Hedley Connell, Kenny Finnie, Fiona Hamilton, Graham Macgregor, Iain McAllister, Nicola O'Connor, Heather Reilly, Anne Scott, Fiona Tennent, Alison Thomson.

### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

David Young.

### **CONSTITUTION:**

The Moderator welcomed everyone with short devotion and opened the meeting.

### **MINUTES:**

The Minute of the Meetings of 6th December 2023 were read and approved with the following amendments.

1. The Rev. Derek Hughes was thanked for all his work and support during Rev. Peter Nimmo's illness. Rev. Hughes was presented with a card and a monetary gift from all at CPC.
2. The Kirk Session meetings should meet on a monthly basis.
3. In the minutes of 25th October 2022 it was reported that David Young remains Leader in Charge of the Boy's Brigade, this should have read – David Young had stepped down as Leader in Charge of the Boy's Brigade but would be available should he be required to help out as and when required.

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

A thank you letter was received and read from Rev. Derek Hughes thanking us for his gift and wishing us well as we move forward with our Minister

A thank you card was received and read out from Barnardo's 16+ in regards to our donations following our appeal.

Thank you was received from the foodbank for our donation of £500.

It was intimated that the Earthquake appeal has so far raised over £700 not including direct/online donations.

### **MATTERS ARISING.**

#### **School Holiday Club**

The in-service Holiday Club arranged for 15<sup>th</sup> February 2023 in cooperation with Reachout Trust and Cluster Churches was reported to have been very successful with approx. 48 children receiving support while their schools were closed.

#### **Christmas Cards**

It was agreed that following the success of the Christmas card distribution that a similar initiative be done with distribution in the first instance to coincide with June communion cards.

**NOTICE OF A.O.B.**

An email had been received regards sound quality on our live stream for Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> February. The minister had checked various other recorded services and concluded that while the quality was not good on the 19<sup>th</sup> this appeared to be the exception and likely due to technical issues. However the volunteer AV operators would strive to maintain a better quality.

**Warm Space**

A proposal was received from Jan Ritchie proposing that the Meet&2Veg start a warm space initiative within the church entrance space. While the Kirk Session was in agreement in principle to the idea it was evident that further work would need to be done to ensure compliance with legal requirements and that sufficient volunteers etc. could be found. Jan Ritchie was asked to find a few people to work though the pros and cons of this project. It is hoped that should these concerns be met, we could provide a full service to the community next winter.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Received and approved. It is anticipated that final year end accounts will be available late March for presentation to the Kirk Session at a special purpose meeting following a Sunday Service in April 2023, thereafter, presented to the Annual Stated meeting of the Congregation to take place 2-3 week later.

**ROLL KEEPERS REPORT:**

Circulated in advance to Elders and the report was accepted.

**Removal by death: -**

Mrs Meg Wilson Mr. Harry Gilmour (Adherent)

**Added by Certificate of Transference: -**

Mrs. Hazel Gillespie

**Removed from roll by other reasons: -**

Mrs Elizabeth Bruce, is now in a Nursing Home in Perthshire

Mr Robert Dunlop, has now moved out of the area,

Mrs. Margaret Thoms has also moved out of the area.

The Kirk Session agreed to remove the above from the Roll.

**The Congregational Roll was attested.**

Roll Keeper to ensure that Gift Aid Convener is updated regards any changes of address.

The Roll Keeper was thanked in her absence for the production of the Roll and for the efficient and dedicated manner in which she continues to carry out her duties.

The Minister informed us of the following people whom he wishes to be added to the role as adherents, should they wish to be associated with our congregation.

Mr Sunday Agbo and Mrs Peace Agbo

Mr Agbo is a student at Caledonian University. Their children Kingson, Brian and Kelsey arrived from Nigeria recently with his wife and have been attending Sunday Club.

The Minister intimated that any pastoral concerns with regards to the church membership and inactive members should be relayed to himself or our deacon

**AWAY DAY IMPLEMENTATION GROUP**

Circulated in advance to Elders and the report was accepted.

**HALLS CONVENER REPORT:**

Circulated in advance to Elders and the report was accepted.

Approval given for a feasibility study regards the removal of pews from the sanctuary to be carried out as outlined in the report.

The treasurer indicated that only one recognized church organization had given a donation towards church funds within the last financial year, it was suggested that either the treasurer or the Halls convener should approach this issue.

After some discussion it was felt that a letter of encouragement and support should be sent to all church organizations from the minister and the session clerk.

The Halls convener requested that any concerns regarding halls etc. be relayed via email and not on a Sunday morning. Our Church administrator indicated a similar request regards to office business.

In both instances this will ensure that matters can be addressed properly and not lost in the worshipful social occasion of a Sunday morning.

It was noted that various prop items etc. from the pantomime were causing access issues to some cupboard space. The Halls convener agreed to address this with the Drama group.

**FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE REPORT:**

Circulated in advance to Elders and the report was accepted.

Approval given for a feasibility study regards the purchase, installation and maintenance of a defibrillator to be carried out in conjunction with the Fabric Convener.

**WORSHIP TEAM REPORT:**

Circulated in advance to Elders and the report was accepted. In addition,

Susan Young has once again offered to facilitate 'Easter Breakfast Rolls'

Stations Of the Cross to be held at St. Brides RC with Father Paul Morton (Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023)

Maundy Thursday Service of Communion to be held in CPC with Rev. Peter Nimmo (6<sup>th</sup> April 2023)

Good Friday Service to be held in Flemington Hallside with Rev. Ian Cathcart (7<sup>th</sup> April 2023)

**COMMUNION :**

The Minister and Session Clerk had met to discuss Communion arrangements during the week and presented a format as to how they wish Communion to be conducted going forward. A document will be prepared outlining these proposals for this purpose and will be open to amendment following feedback from the March Communion. The Kirk Session agreed with the format as outlined verbally by the Minister.

**FELLOWSHIP TEAM REPORT:**

Circulated in advance to Elders and the report was accepted.

**FABRIC REPORT:**

Circulated in advance to Elders and the report was accepted.

In addition, discussion regards the operation of the lighting in the main hall took place. The fabric convener will discuss this issue with the installers to see if this can be simplified.

**SAFEGUARDING REPORT:**

Circulated in advance to Elders and the report was accepted.

**READ STATEMENT**

*It is certified that Safeguarding recruitment procedures are being adhered to, an accurate record is being held of all persons doing Regulated Work with Children and Protected Adults in organisations under the jurisdiction of the Kirk Session, and that the Congregation's Safeguarding Co-ordinator is appropriately trained to allow that person to be accredited as an authorised signatory for PVG Scheme record checks.*

**Additional information**

SG22 forms have been completed and received from Craig Nape, Jennifer Fell and Rebecca Stewart who have been removed from the register.

A Safeguarding training date for CPC and Flemington Kirk Sessions are yet to be confirmed by presbytery a full attendance is required and as much notice will be given as possible.

**PRESBYTERY REPORT:**

No Report was received as Presbytery will not meet until March 2023

**Dates of next meetings:**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023 at 7.30.pm in the Morriston Room**

**Single Purpose Meeting TBC on a Sunday in April following Morning Worship**

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 7.30.pm in the Morriston Room**

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2023 at 7.30.pm in the Morriston Room**

**As this was all the business the meeting was closed with prayer.**

Moderator \_\_\_\_\_

Session Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

