

b. The Presbytery instruct the clerk to send an extract minute to the Stewardship and Finance Department of the Church of Scotland.

3. **GIRVAN SOUTH PARISH CHURCH.**

The Presbytery approves the grant application for various works to the Church and Halls for the sum of £3,000. The total cost of the work is estimated to be £6,650 (including VAT). All pertinent forms have been completed.

4. **DALMELLINGTON / PATNA WATERSIDE MANSE.**

The Presbytery approves the agreement between Dalmellington and Patna Waterside, and agrees to send an extract minute to the General Trustees so that funds may be released from Edinburgh and the work on the Manse completed.

12. **CORRESPONDENCE.**

All Correspondence had been forwarded to the relevant Committees.

**ADJOURNMENT.** The Presbytery rose at 9.58pm

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Presbytery of Ayr will be held within Alloway Parish Church Hall on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2010, at 7pm.

The Committees will meet in Ayr: the Auld Kirk Halls on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2010, at 7pm.

**MODERATOR**

**PRESBYTERY CLERK**

Scottish Charity Number SC020676

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**DUNDONALD, 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2010.**

At Dundonald Parish Church on Tuesday the Fifth Day of October, Two Thousand and Ten Years, the Presbytery of Ayr met and was constituted.

**997. MINUTE.** The Minutes of 31<sup>st</sup> August, 7<sup>th</sup> September, 21<sup>st</sup> September and 28<sup>th</sup> September 2010, being in the hands of Members, were taken as read and approved.

**998. RETIRING MODERATOR.** The Moderator's term of office being completed, the Clerk, on behalf of the Court, thanked Dr Lewis for the competent way in which he had led the Presbytery with a wonderful sense of grace, patience and understanding. The Clerk also thanked Mrs Irene Lewis for the great support and encouragement she had been to the Moderator during his term in office. Dr Lewis made a suitable reply, highlighting his visits to the Congregations and the sense of optimism which prevailed, even in these difficult times.

**999. INSTALLATION OF MODERATOR ELECT.**

The Clerk laid on the Table Minute 928.3 appointing Rev R Mayes, Minister at Dundonald Church, to be Moderator of the Presbytery. The Presbytery reaffirmed the appointment. The Rev R Mayes was summoned into the Court. The Moderator put the prescribed Question which the Rev R Mayes answered.

The Moderator installed the Rev R Mayes with prayer, handed him the Ordinal and a Bible donated by Words of Wisdom, and put on his shoulders the Moderator Scarf and declared him duly installed as Moderator of the Presbytery of Ayr for the year ending 4<sup>th</sup> October, next, and then gave him the Right Hand of Fellowship. The Rev R Mayes took his place and acknowledged Court. The Meeting was adjourned.

**1. PRESBYTERY COMMUNION SERVICE**

The Sacrament of Holy Communion was celebrated. This Service was conducted by the Moderator. Following Refreshments, the Presbytery met for Business in Dundonald Parish Church.

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2. **SEDERUNT.** Rev R Mayes, Moderator, and others as per Sederunt Sheets in rententis. Ministers, 25; Elders, 42; Deacon, 1; Corresponding Members, 2; Total 70. Apologies were received from 7 Ministers and 6 Elders.

3. **WELCOME.**

The Moderator welcomed the Rev Brian Hendrie, Minister of Maybole linked with Crosshill.

4. **ORDER OF BUSINESS.**

The Order of Business was approved.

5. **INTIMATIONS.**

1. ‘**A Promised Land**’ in Ayr Town Hall on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October. This is the moving and inspiring story of Jane Haining, the Church of Scotland deaconess who died in Auschwitz.
2. The Electronic Organ of the former **Wallacetown Church** is available for any church which can uplift. Still in good condition. (*Contact Stewart Birse*)

6. **ORDER OF THE DAY - 8.30pm.**

1. **VACANCY BUSINESS.**

Destruction of Vacancy Papers.  
In terms of Act VIII, 2003, the Clerk reported that the Vacancy Papers for Maybole and Crosshill had been destroyed.

2. **NOTICE OF MOTION.** (*Standing Order 7b required.*)

**For 50. Against 3.**

The Presbytery approved the addendum to Standing Order 4e that at the end of the new sentence insert:  
“*No one may serve on the Business Committee for more than 6 consecutive years.*”

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Alloway	Kirkmichael/Straiton	Ayr: St.Leonards/ Dalrymple	Ballantrae /St Colmon
Annbank/Tarbolton	Lugar/Old Cumnock	Ayr: St Quivox	Dailly/Barr/ Girvan South
Auchinleck/Catrine	Maybole/Crosshill	Craigie/Symington	Fisherton/Kirkoswald
Ayr: Castlehill	New Cumnock	Girvan North	Prestwick: St Nicholas
Ayr: Newton/Wallacetown	Mauchline/Sorn	Troon: Old	Prestwick: Kingcase
Ayr: St Andrews	Ochiltree/Stair	Troon: Portland	Prestwick: South
Ayr: St Columba	Cumnock Trinity/Muirkirk	Troon St Meddans	Coylton/Drongan
Ayr: St James	Dalmellington/Patna	Dundonald	Monkton/ Prestwick North

11. **ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**, given in by Mr GH Kitcheman, Presbytery Treasurer, and Mr C Cameron, Convener, who moved the following Deliverance, which was adopted:-

1. **MINISTRIES AND MISSION CONTRIBUTIONS 2010.**

- a. Pursuant to minute 913 (3) of the meeting of 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2010 in connection with the Presbytery Mission Projects Scheme, the Presbytery approves the following reductions to the Ministries and Mission Contributions to be paid by congregations in 2010:
 

Newton Wallacetown	£5000
Ayr St Columba	£5000
The Auld Kirk of Ayr	£5000
- b. The Presbytery instructs the clerk to send an extract minute to the Stewardship and Finance Department of the Church of Scotland.

2. **MINISTRIES AND MISSION CONTRIBUTIONS 2011.**

- a. Pursuant to minute 532 (1) of the meeting of 6<sup>th</sup> February 2007, the Presbytery approve the reduction by £6000 to the Ministries and Mission Contributions to be paid by Maybole in 2011.

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**2. SAFEGUARDING.**

The Presbytery notes the interim arrangements for safeguarding which are in the Presbytery mailing for this month.

**3. PROBATIONER.**

The Presbytery notes that David Slater, Probationer at Alloway Church, has undergone his final review in terms of Act X 2004, and is free to apply for charges and to proceed to Ordination.

Final Deliverance, given in by Mr A Graham, Vice Convener, who moved the following, which was adopted:-

**4. AWARDS.**

After consultation with the Trustees and interested parties of the Girvan Bursary, and Mackie Knockgerran Bursary, the Presbytery notes the award of £300 from each to Mrs Margaret Shuttleworth, candidate for the ministry.

**10. MISSION COMMITTEE,** given in by Rev NA McNaught, Convener, who moved the following Deliverance, which was adopted:-**1. MISSION DEVELOPMENT WORKER.**

The Presbytery note that the Mission Development Worker for the West, including Ayr Presbytery, is Ian Campbell, who can be contacted at: [icampbell@churchofscotland.org.uk](mailto:icampbell@churchofscotland.org.uk)

**2. PULPIT EXCHANGE.**

The Presbytery notes the Presbytery Pulpit Exchange Rota for 2011 and commends its use in deepening fellowship within the Presbytery.

A counter motion was moved and seconded against the deletion to Standing Order 4b of *“together with three nominated Ruling Elders, such Ruling Elders to be appointed by the Presbytery for a period of three years.”*

The counter motion was adopted and Standing Order 4b remained unaltered.

**3. 2020 VISION.**

Report by Dr D Lewis on 2020 Vision Consultations.

**7. BUSINESS AND NOMINATION COMMITTEE,** given in by Mrs I Montgomerie, Convener, who moved the following Deliverance, which was adopted:-**1. HOSPITAL LISTS**

The Presbytery instructs the Clerk, together with Sheila Mitchell and Isabell Montgomerie, to pursue the matter of access by Clergy to Patient Lists.

**8. COMMUNITY AND WORLD CONCERNS,** given in by Miss M Wilson, Vice Convener, who moved the following Deliverance, which was adopted:-**1. CHURCH AND SOCIETY CONFERENCE – 11<sup>th</sup> September.**

The Presbytery commends to ministers and congregations, for study, the series of leaflets produced by the Church and Society Council. All of the these leaflets are available either by phoning 0131 225 5722 or on the Church of Scotland Website [www.churchofscotland.org.uk](http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk)

*(Note: an annotated list of these will be found in the billet)*

**2. ISRAEL.**

The Presbytery welcomes the report of the UN Human Rights Commission concerning the Gaza Boat Aid flotilla and urges the Foreign Secretary to take action to associate Britain with the report. The report condemns as illegal under international laws subscribed to by Israel, not only the action of interception of the vessel on the high seas and the subsequent loss of life, but also the blockade of Gaza and the collective punishment this imposes on the inhabitants of the area.

**3. IAN GALLOWAY'S WORDS AT PARLIAMENT.**

*The Presbytery, while welcoming the way in which Rev Galloway has put forward forcefully his, and the church's views on "End of Life" strongly regrets the analogy that was made between that and the withholding of a medal from an active service soldier who had killed someone. The Presbytery, while recognising the undesirability of war or any form of armed conflict, also recognises that soldiers on active service are faced with extremely difficult situations, in which disarming or wounding an opponent, or even a civilian who may be acting suspiciously, might put other lives at risk and killing may be the only way to prevent a more catastrophic outcome.*

An Addendum was moved and seconded that The Presbytery instruct the Clerk to send an Extract Minute to the Church and Society Council.

**For 9. Against 12.** The Addendum fell.

A counter motion was moved and seconded that Deliverance 3 be deleted.

**For 20. Against 5.**

The Presbytery resolved accordingly and Deliverance 3 was deleted.

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**4. CHURCH AND SOCIETY REPRESENTATIVES.**

The Presbytery instructs all congregations to communicate, through the Community and World Concerns Committee, the name of a contact that is willing to be the channel of two-way communication with the Church and Society Council.

**5. ECONOMIC ENERGY USAGE CONFERENCE.**

The Presbytery notes that the Community and World Concerns committee is engaging with Adrian Shaw, the Church's environmental officer, in order to stage a conference on Economic Energy Usage, in conjunction with Auchencruive and South Ayrshire Council in March or April 2011.

**6. CANDLELIGHT SERVICE AT MASONHILL CREMATORIUM.**

The Presbytery notes the arrangement to continue this Christmas service for those recently bereaved on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2010, and encourages congregations to publicise this service.

**9. EDUCATION COMMITTEE,** given in by the Rev A Shuttleworth, Convener, who moved the following Deliverance, which was adopted:-**1. PASTORAL ADVISER.**

The Presbytery appoints the Rev Liz Crumlish as a special Pastoral Adviser available to all candidates and probationers in training for the full time ministry of word and sacrament, auxiliary ministry, or diaconate where their training takes place in the Presbytery of Ayr or where their home congregation is in the Presbytery of Ayr. In the event that the Rev Liz Crumlish is the supervising minister of any such candidate or probationer, the Education Committee will appoint an alternative.

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