

94. EXPRESSION OF THANKS.

The Moderator expressed his thanks to Ballantrae Parish Church for accommodating the Presbytery of Ayr.

The Moderator also expressed his thanks and good wishes to all retiring members of Presbytery.

ADJOURNMENT. The Presbytery rose at 8.43pm.

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Presbytery of Ayr will be held within Alloway Parish Church Hall on Tuesday 6th September, 2011, at 7pm.

The Committees will meet in Ayr: the Auld Kirk Halls on Thursday 25th August, 2011, at 7pm.

MODERATOR

PRESBYTERY CLERK



MAUCLINE PARISH CHURCH, 22nd June, 2011. At Mauchline Parish Church, on the Twenty Second Day of June, Two Thousand and Eleven Years, the Presbytery of Ayr met, and was constituted in prayer.

81. SEDERUNT. Rev R Mayes, Moderator, and others as per Sederunt Sheets in rententis. Ministers, 17; Elders, 26; Corresponding Members 1; Total 44. Apologies were received from 4 Ministers and 4 Elders and were similarly recorded. 4 others were associated with the Presbytery.

82. INDUCTION OF THE REV DAVID ALBON TO MAUCLINE LINKED WITH SORN PARISH CHURCH.

All relevant matters being in order and the Clerk having laid on the Table the prescribed Edict duly executed, no one having appeared to object to the life or doctrine of the said Rev David Albon, the Presbytery resolved to proceed to the Induction of the Rev David Albon to the Pastoral Charge of Mauchline linked with Sorn.

Public Worship was conducted by the Rev Brian Hendrie, Minister of Maybole linked with Crosshill, who preached a sermon appropriate to the occasion.

The Narrative and Preamble having been delivered and the prescribed Questions asked and answered satisfactorily, the Rev David Albon signed the Formula.

The Moderator, with prayer, did induct the Rev Albon and admit him to the Pastoral Charge of Mauchline linked with Sorn. With other Presbyters, the Moderator gave him the Right Hand of Fellowship. Thereafter, the Moderator put to the Congregations the required Questions which were answered satisfactorily, and gave the Charges. Public Worship being concluded, the Presbytery instructed the Clerk to confirm the Rev David Albon's name on the Roll of Presbytery and inform all interested parties. Those taking part were thanked and the Sederunt was closed with prayer.

MODERATOR

PRESBYTERY CLERK



BALLANTRAE, 28th June, 2011.

At Ballantrae Church on Tuesday the Twenty Eighth Day of June, Two Thousand and Eleven Years, the Presbytery of Ayr met and was constituted.

83. SEDERUNT. The Rev R Mayes, Moderator, and others as per Sederunt Sheets in rententis. Ministers, 27; Elders, 33; Deacon, 1; Total 61. Apologies were received from 8 Ministers and 7 Elders.

84. WELCOME. The Moderator welcomed the Rev David Albon, recently Inducted at Mauchline linked with Sorn.

85. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting held 10th May and 14th June 2011, being in the hands of Members, were taken as read and approved.

86. ORDER OF BUSINESS.

The Order of Business was approved.

87. INTIMATIONS.

1. The Presbytery Yearbook 2011 – 2012.
2. Reminder of 4 Year deadline for changing Committee membership.
3. Church and Society Contact. (*In Mailing*)
4. Church and Society Conference – 17th September, Carronvale House, Larbert.
5. National Youth Assembly 2nd – 5th September in Stirling.
6. Whitcheater Christian Guest House and Retreat Centre. (*Fund for those aged over 55*)
7. Bob’s Car Treasure Hunt & Barbecue – thanks from the Moderator.

b. The Presbytery note that The Ministries Council is in the process of arranging training for all Presbyteries to enable them to undertake these interviews. The training will take place on the following dates in the following places (exact venues to be confirmed):

Tuesday 30 August	Edinburgh	10.00 am - 1.30 pm
Tuesday 6 September	Glasgow	10.00 am - 1.30 pm
Tuesday 13 September	Inverness	10.00 am - 1.30 pm
Tuesday 13 September	Aberdeen	10.00 am - 1.30 pm
Thursday 15 September	Ayr	10.00 am - 1.30 pm
Thursday 15 September	Perth	10.00 am - 1.30 pm

Please note that in the interests of ensuring equality of standards in assessment, it will be necessary for all those involved in OLM assessment work to undertake this training.

c. The Presbytery urges members within the bounds who have the required gifts to apply for this training through the Education Convener by 21st of July.

93. CORRESPONDENCE.

A letter was received from Margaret Shuttleworth expressing her heartfelt thanks to the Presbytery of Ayr for the recent Graduate Candidate Recognition Service.

2. WORSHIP TRAINING.

The Presbytery note that the following people have attended the required number of sessions and are now recognised as being part of worship leadership:

Jean Barclay	Morag Crossan	Jeannie Kerr
David McLarty	Diane McLarty	Sheena Sturgeon
Helen Yates		

From a previous series of training:
Sheena Hunter

3. HOLIDAY CLUBS.

The Presbytery requests that any congregation running a holiday club or mission event for young people to give the details to Elaine Adair, the Presbytery Youth and Sunday School Adviser whose contact details are available on page 71 of the Presbytery Yearbook.

4. ORDAINED LOCAL MINISTRY.

- a. The Presbytery note that in order that a smooth transition can take place for those Readers who wish to become Ordained Local Ministers in terms of ACT XX 2011, Presbytery is required to interview Applicants in the first instance and provide the Council with a written report as to the Reader's suitability for assessment and training for Ordained Local Ministry. The Presbytery Panel should consist of three representatives from Presbytery and it is necessary that at least one person on the panel has been trained to act as a Local Assessor or Presbytery Rep.

- 8. Malawi Partnership – Glasgow Half Marathon Sponsorship Form. (*In Mailing*)
- 9. Veterans First Point Ayrshire.

88. ORDER OF THE DAY - 8.00pm.

1. VACANCY BUSINESS.

Extension of Leave to Call:

- a. **Dalmellington linked with Patna.**
In terms of Act VIII, 2003, the Presbytery grant an Extension of Leave to Call to Dalmellington linked with Patna for a further period of six months.
- b. **Girvan North.**
In terms of Act VIII, 2003, the Presbytery grant an Extension of Leave to Call to Girvan North for a further period of six months.

2. THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY. REPORT OF DILIGENCE.

The Rev Brian Hendrie, Minister at Crosshill linked with Maybole, reported diligence and was thanked.

3. PRESBYTERY OF AYR OVERTURE.

The Presbytery note the decision of the General Assembly to adopt the Overture. The Presbytery convey their thanks to Dr David Lewis for all his hard work and perseverance; and to the Rev Alastair Symington for the persuasive way in which he presented the Overture.

4. JOINT SERVICE.

The Presbytery homologate the actions of the Clerk in granting Muirkirk linked with Old Cumnock Trinity permission to hold a joint Service on Sunday 1st May.

5. **SERVICE CHANGE OF TIMES.**

The Presbytery note the following Changes:

- a. **Dalrymple linked with St. Leonard's.** Joint Service each Sunday in July at 10.30am.

Ayr: St Leonard's	3 rd , 17 th & 31 st July.
Dalrymple	10 th & 24 th July.

- b. **Ochiltree linked with Stair.** Joint Service for four Sundays in July at 10.30am.

Stair	3 rd and 10 th July.
Ochiltree	17 th and 24 th July.

- c. **Prestwick St. Nicholas.** During July and August the Sunday Service will commence at 10.30am.

- d. **Alloway.** From the 3rd July to the 14th August there will be only one Sunday Service which will commence at 10.30am.

- e. **Dalmilling Church** moved their Services of Worship to the Wilson Hall from the 10th April to the 29th May due to a malfunction with the heating system.

6. **UNITARY DEEDS ISSUED.**

The Presbytery note that the Unitary Constitution has been issued to Ayr: St Columba Parish Church and Monkton & Prestwick North Parish Church.

3. **AD HOC COMMITTEE, given in by Mr Jim Skinner, who moved the following Deliverance which was adopted:-**

The Presbytery agree to the Ad Hoc Committee investigating the possibility of this Presbytery engaging in the Presbytery Staffing Fund pilot scheme which will run until December 2016. The Committee will report the outcome of their investigations to the Presbytery at the September 2011 meeting.

4. **CROSSHILL AND MAYBOLE MANSE**

The Presbytery acknowledge the unsuitability of the existing Manse in Maybole and encourage the Congregations to find a suitable replacement Manse.

The Presbytery instruct the Clerk to send an Extract Minute to the General Trustees.

92. **EDUCATION COMMITTEE, given in by the Rev Alec Shuttleworth, Convener, who moved the following Deliverance which was adopted:-**

1. **PLACEMENTS.**

- a. The Presbytery note that Tom McLeod will undertake a placement at Annbank linked with Tarbolton from October to Easter as part of his training for the Auxiliary Ministry.

- b. The Presbytery Note that Margaret Shuttleworth's Probation placement will be at Prestwick Kingcase Church.

- a. *The Presbytery resolve to end paragraph 5 of the Presbytery Plan at the end of the first sentence, deleting the words “To this end” to “ratified by Presbytery”*
- b. *The Presbytery approved the Presbytery Plan dated 2011 as amended.*

The Counter Motion Fell.

4. SUPPORT GROUPS.

The Presbytery discharge the support groups of Maybole Parish Church and Catrine Parish Church and thank the group members for their work.

91. ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE, given in by Mr Colin Cameron, Convener, who moved the following Deliverance which was adopted:-

- 1. **AYR: ST. QUIVOX PARISH CHURCH DALMILLING.**
The Presbytery approve the application for a Grant from the General Trustees Central Fabric Fund, in the sum of £9,364.64, inclusive of VAT and fees, towards the replacement cost of a new Central Heating Boiler, based on the letter of recommendation from Andrew MacOwen Associates, of 18th May.
The appropriate Forms have been completed.
- 2. **CHARITIES ACCOUNTS (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2010.**
The Presbytery note that the threshold for Receipts and Payments Accounts has been raised to a new limit of £250,000. This will affect the Accounts for the year ending 31st December 2012. New Regulations will be issued with the July Mailing to Treasurers.

89. BUSINESS & NOMINATION COMMITTEE, given in by Mrs Isabell Montgomerie, Convener, who moved the following Deliverance which was adopted:-

1. CONVENERS AND VICE CONVENERS OF PRESBYTERY COMMITTEES.

The Presbytery note the following appointments:

	BUSINESS	ADMIN	EDUCATION	COMM	MISSION
CONVENER	Robert McCrum	Colin Cameron	Alec Shuttleworth	David Watson	Liz Crumlish
VICE CONVENER	Bob Mayes	Stuart Kilpatrick (B & F)	Stephen Ogston	Muriel Wilson	Paul Russell
VICE CONVENER		Iain Gemmell			

2. HOSPITAL LISTS & CHAPLAINCY.

- a. The Presbytery express their disappointment and frustration at the non production of the Hospital Patient Lists.
- b. The Presbytery express their disappointment at the termination of the Hospital Chaplaincy at East Ayrshire Community Hospital.
- c. *The Presbytery express their disappointment at the termination of the Hospital Services at both Ayr and Crosshouse Hospitals.*

A **Counter Motion** was moved and seconded for the deletion of 2c. The Presbytery resolved accordingly and 2c was deleted. The Deliverance was renumbered accordingly.

- c. The Presbytery urge all interested Parties to express their concerns to Professor Craig White, Local MPs, Local Councillors and the Scottish Parliament Health Secretary.
- d. The Presbytery instruct the Clerk to send an Extract Minute to all interested Parties, including Neighbouring Presbyteries.
- 3. NATIONAL STEWARDSHIP PROGRAMME.**
The Presbytery note that a Stewardship and Finance Conference will be held in Ayr: St James on the Tuesday 20th September at 7.30pm. Up to four representatives from each Congregation will be invited.
- 4. APPOINTMENT OF AIRPORT CHAPLAIN.**
The Presbytery note the appointment of the Rev David Clarkson, Minister at Monkton and Prestwick North, as the Prestwick Airport Chaplain. This appointment was made by the Human Resources Department at the Airport and date of commencement was the 1st June 2011.
- 5. PRESBYTERY MEETING 26th JUNE, 2012.**
The Presbytery agree to hold the Ordinary June Meeting of the Presbytery within Ochiltree Parish Church at 7pm on Tuesday 26th June, 2012.
- 6. BANDAWE PARTNERSHIP PROJECT**
The Presbytery appoint the Rev George Fiddes as Convener of the ad-Hoc committee of the Bandawe Partnership Project in place of Dr David Geddes. The Presbytery express their warm appreciation of the very substantial amount of work which Dr Geddes has done over the past few years, and also of the wide recognition of this project which he and the committee have achieved.

- 90. MISSION COMMITTEE, given in by the Rev Liz Crumlish, Vice Convener, who moved the following Deliverance which was adopted:-**
- 1. BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY.**
The Presbytery note that Back to Church Sunday falls on the 25th September and invite congregations to consider the initiative (Material www.backtochurch.co.uk)
- 2. QUINQUENNIAL VISITATION SCHEME.**
- a. The Presbytery agree to set aside the existing Quinquennial Visitation scheme and instruct the Mission Committee to bring forward a revised scheme and timetable for Presbytery approval by December 2011.
- b. The Presbytery instruct the clerk to send an extract minute to the Ministries Council.
- 3. PRESBYTERY PLAN.**
- a. The Presbytery approve the Presbytery Plan dated June 2011 and held in retentis.
- b. The Presbytery thank area working groups and their Conveners and Rapporteurs for their input to the plan.
- c. The Presbytery remind Congregations that they are instructed to be represented at Area Working Group meetings.
- d. The Presbytery instruct the clerk to send a copy of the revised plan along with an extract minute to the Ministries Council.

A Counter Motion was moved and seconded that:

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