

**EDINBURGH SLATEFORD LONGSTONE PARISH CHURCH OF SCOTLAND  
THE KIRK SESSION MET ON MONDAY 13 MAY 2013 AT 7.45PM IN THE SESSION ROOM**

**Sederunt:** Mesdames L Baillie, B Bald, D Brown, S Davidson, A Fairley, M Fulton, M Hynd, S Riddoch, S Taylor and S Ward  
Messrs C Campbell, Rev M Frew and I Welsh

**Apologies:** Mesdames L Campbell, H Carruthers, J Fox, J Gordon and R Welsh.  
Mr I Welsh

The minister opened the meeting with a reading from Zechariah and a prayer.

The minister handed the meeting over to the Local Churches Review Committee. A discussion followed with the committee and Elders to discuss our responses to the questionnaire we had been asked to complete. Following the meeting a report will be produced which we will have the opportunity to review and agree before it is submitted to Presbytery.

**1. Minutes of Previous Meeting:** The minutes of meeting Monday 4 March, previously circulated, were approved.

**2. Communion Roll:** Session noted

- a) Deaths: Georgina Liddle, 28 Redhall Grove
- b) Additions: David and Nora McCartney, 8 Redhall Road, EH14 2HW
- c) Removals: Nil
- d) Change of Address: Nil

**3. Minister's Report**

**1. Children's Elder** The minister reported that Helen Carruthers has agreed to take up this post if Session approves. The remit would be as follows:

**Role**

To have oversight of all the children and young people's work of the congregation, currently Crèche, Sunday Club, Lazer, TakeAway and holiday clubs.

To be the main contact person with the Presbytery of Edinburgh Co-ordinator for Children, Youth and Family Workers (currently Yvonne McCorkindale)

To be responsible to the minister of the congregation, and through him to the Kirk Session

**Tasks**

- to visit as appropriate and encourage the various aspects of the ministry among children and young people
- to assist the minister in recruiting new leaders as required
- to make leaders aware of training opportunities
- to arrange holiday cover on Sunday mornings
- to be an advocate for children and young people at Kirk Session

Helen's appointment with the above Role and Tasks was agreed

**2. Office-Bearers' Conference**

The minister also reported that the Heriot-Watt Chaplaincy Centre is available to us on Saturday 31 August, and has been booked from 10.00am-4.00pm. The minister suggested the programme should include opening and closing worship, a morning session led by Rita Welsh on "Mission Shaped Ministry" with the afternoon devoted to confirming the Local Church Review Action Plan. A volunteer is needed to bring tea, coffee etc, and as before the minister suggested we bring our own lunch or eat in the student refectory

**4. Pastoral Care**

Nothing to report.

**5. Worship Committee**

Nothing to report.

**6. Board Report**

**Elders for Congregational Board:** The following Elders have agreed to serve on the Congregational Board until March 2014: Suzanne Riddoch, Lin Baillie, Dennise Brown, Mary Hynd, Alison Fairley and Ian Welsh.

There is 1 space vacant and anyone willing to take up this position should let the clerk know. Jean Gordon and Lily Campbell stood down and both were thanked for their time serving on the Board.

**7. Presbytery Report**

**Presbytery Elder:** Rita Welsh has agreed to stand again as our Presbytery Elder and this was agreed by those present.

**Loose Leaf Minutes:** Loose leaf minutes should be bound for retention purposes.

**8. Correspondence**

Nothing to report.

**9. Any Other Business**

Nothing to report.

**10. Dates of Next Meetings:** These were fixed for Mondays 2 September and 4 November 2013 and Mondays 13 January, 3 March and 12 May 2014 at 7.00pm in the Session Room.

This being all the business the meeting closed with each blessing the others.

**SUZANNE E RIDDOCH**  
Session Clerk

**REV. MICHAEL W FREW**  
Moderator

**KIRK SESSION AGENDA FOR MONDAY 2 SEPTEMBER 2013 at 7.00pm IN THE SESSION ROOM**

1. Opening devotions
2. Apologies for absence
3. Communion Roll
4. Minister's Report
5. Local Churches Review follow up / Conference Report
6. Pastoral Care
7. Worship Committee
8. Board Report
9. Presbytery Report
10. Date of next meetings