

Glenrothes & District Churches Together

AGM Minutes

Wednesday 12th June 2024

Christ's Kirk, Pitcoudie

Present:

Richard Gilmour, chair – Church of Christ
John Baker, Treasurer, vice chair – St Columba's
Mary Patey, secretary – St Ninian's
Alan Kimmitt, Lorna Baker – St Columba's
Ruth Anderson, Wilma Page – Christ's Kirk
Allen Phillips – Church of Christ
Sally McElroy, Barbara Usher – St Mary Magdalene's
Roz Paton – Glenrothes Baptist Church (independent)
Betty Menzies – St Margaret's
Fiona Lawrenson – St Luke's

Apologies:

Father Philip, George Carratt, Steve Saunders, Miriam Smith. Irene Ure

Welcome and opening devotions: Ruth Anderson welcomed everyone, read from Ecclesiastes - Stronger together and led us in prayer.

Alan Kimmitt gave an update on the Covenanted Partnership of the Church of Scotland churches in our area. The churches will become a new parish named "Heart of Fife" on the 1st of July. Joint services will be held in the different churches for 6 weeks; thereafter there will be varied service forms going forward. The team leading the new parish comprises Rev Dr Conor Fegan, Rev Alan Kimmitt, Vacancy, John Hutchison, and Irene Ure.

John raised the question of how many reps there should be for the new parish. Presently the constitution states 4 reps per church, and it was suggested that that could be amended to 8 to reflect the much larger parish. Agreed.

Minutes of the 2023 AGM were approved by Ruth and seconded by Sally.

Chair: no report.

Treasurer's Annual report:

Balance at 2023 AGM = £9412.77

Final balance at 2024 AGM = £8793.39

Income since 2023 AGM =£309.35

Expenditure since 2023 AGM = £928.73

Carol singing donations = £210.00
Friendship Meal donations = £91.35
Easter rolls Donations = £8.00

Poppy Wreath = £39.00
Love Oliver Carol Singing = £210.00
Friendship Meal Food etc = £258.13
WOW Buffet + Easter rolls = 244.60
Salvation Army donation = £100.00
St Columba's WOW organist = £77.00

General Election Hustings approach

St Mary Magdalene's Church approached the secretary asking if a hustings held by Churches Together could be offered to the candidates.

Discussion outcome: TBC

"God is good" Joshua 1:9.

GROW report was presented by Fiona Tucker the GROW worker for Glenrothes schools. A copy is attached. Please **pray** for the schools, pupils, teachers, and Scripture Union groups.

Ruth took the chair to enable the election of the committee members. Richard and Mary are standing down, and John has agreed to continue as vice chair and treasurer.

Secretary post important and remained unfilled after the meeting.

Chair – Ruth volunteered to become chairperson as she will not be a session clerk under the new parish. Ruth is keen to support the ecumenical ties in our area. The appointment was proposed by Wilma Page and seconded by Alan Kimmitt. Ruth then thanked Richard and Mary for their work on the committee.

2024/2025 meetings: All at 7.30pm

Sept 11th at St Columba's

Nov 13th at St Luke's

Feb 12th, 2024, at St Ninian's

May 14th at Romero House, St Mary's, Leslie

June 11th at St Margaret's. – AGM.

The Churches together Banner is now at Christ's Kirk and will move to St Columba's for the September meeting.

The meeting closed with the sharing of The Grace.
