LOCHGILPHEAD PARISH CHURCH

The Kirk Session met on-line (using Zoom) on the evening of 31 May 2021. The Rev. Hilda Smith opened the meeting with a short reading from Isaiah 43 (verses 16-19), before constituting the meeting with prayer.

Sederunt

Rev. Hilda Smith (Moderator), Elma Munro, Ian Davidson, Jessie Cranston, Malcolm Macfadyen Margaret Davidson, Mary MacDonald, May Taylor and Sandy Taylor.

Apologies for Absence

Edna Armstrong, Frances Fleming

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Kirk Session held on 8 April 2021 were read and approved; proposed by Ian Davidson, seconded Margaret Davidson. Mary confirmed that there is no need for any 'new' mandate for Ministry and Mission payment.

CHURCH OPENING

The Session gave consideration to a number of practical issues in advance of the opening of the church; inc. advertisements, Covid protection measures (masks, seating plans, booking, attendance records, plate etc.), praise (no singing, music machine, no children's address). In conversation, Mary agreed arrangements were made for door duty for the next 4 weeks.

SAFEGUARDING

No report

TREASURER

No report

FABRIC

No report

MEMBERSHIP

Hilda reported the decision of fellow elder Margaret Jacobsen's decision to leave the Church of Scotland. Margaret had made clear that she would still support church activities and to work at the café. Members spoke volubly of Margaret's contribution to the church and church life.

PRESBYTERY ELDER

Hilda reminded Members of the need to appoint a Presbytery elder, which would do when we next meet.

BENEDICTION

The Rev Hilda Smith closed the meeting with the Benediction.

Moderator (date)

Session Clerk (date)