## BISHOP’S STAFF GROUP - DIGEST

## Meeting held on 18th August 2015

### Present:Bishop Gregor (Chair), The Dean, The Provost, Synod Clerk, Diocesan Secretary (minutes), Diocesan Treasurer

Absent None

**Vacancies**

**Gatehouse and Kirkcudbright** – post advertised, closing date 11th Sept.

**Holy Trinity Kilmarnock** – rectory now let on short term tenancy. Dean discussing stipend support in October.

**St. Oswald’s King’s Park** – successful candidate (Revd. Lesley-Ann Craddock) to be instituted on Saturday August 29th.

**St. Silas Woodside Glasgow** – Rector appointed, institution date to be confirmed.

**St. Bride’s Hyndland / Kelvinside** – Rev. Dr. Kevin Francis to be instituted on September 16th, and will maintain his role as Anglican chaplain to Glasgow University.

**East End team** – vacancy advertised, closing date extended.

**St. Paul and St. John, Monklands** – application for Ministry support with Province.

**Good Shepherd, Hillington** – rectory requires significant updating, Diocesan Council to decide.

**Christ Church Lanark** – vacancy procedures to begin Sept, full time stipend position

**St. Andrews, Milngavie** – closing date extended, hoping to interview in October.

**Canon Missioner** – as no suitable candidate has been identified, certain aspects of the job will be allocated to existing resources until a further advert is placed.

**Property**

**St. Cuthbert’s Cambuslang** – rectory let on short term lease, discussions ongoing regarding ministry issues in Lanarkshire**.**

**St. Mary the Virgin, Port Glasgow** – Property Committee and Vestry developing long term project to solve persistent roof problems.

**Christ Church, Dalbeattie** – Diocesan Architect preparing drawings with local planning department, regarding options to deal with the tower.

**Good Shepherd, Hillington** – Diocesan Property Committee report from structural engineer recommends new soakaway, cost yet to be determined.

**Other**

* **Audit Results** – The Diocesan Treasurer reported that the half yearly audit was recently completed with no significant issues.
* **Grants** - the Diocesan Treasurer is preparing a grant request and the restructuring of an existing loan from two charges for decision by Diocesan Council in September.
* **Financial Regulations Review** – Bishop’s Staff Group comments will go back to Diocesan Council in September for agreement.
* **New Diocesan Website** – The design has been largely completed. The IT Officer is planning to present the new website to the BSG in September.
* **Hospital Chaplaincies** – BSG have invited the NHS Director of Spiritual Care and Health Care Chaplaincy to speak at its next meeting.

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Diocesan Secretary