

BISHOP'S STAFF GROUP - DIGEST

Meeting held on 8th January 2015

Present: The Bishop, The Dean, The Provost, Diocesan Treasurer, Diocesan Secretary, Synod Clerk

Vacancies

Lanarkshire – the Bishop and the Dean are to meet with clergy to discuss ministry and mission in the Lanarkshire region.

Port Glasgow / Kilmalcolm / Bridge of Weir – Vacancy process progressing, interview pending.

Gatehouse and Kirkcudbright – Vacancy proceeding well.

St. Silas Woodlands Glasgow – Vacancy process moving ahead.

Holy Trinity Kilmarnock - Process underway, no issues.

St. Oswald's King's Park – Agreed to interview possible candidate in February. Housing issues require some attention. Aim to appoint in summer 2015.

St. Brides's Hyndland / Kelvinside – Vacancy process started to replace full time Rector.

East End team – Dean to visit for pre-vacancy meeting, again anticipate property issues.

St. Paul and St. John's Monklands – The Bishop to meet with vestry to start the vacancy process next week.

Canon Missioner – The job advert was placed with the Church Times. Closing date end January 2015.

Property

Holy Trinity Kilmarnock – Work on the Rectory refurbishment is nearing completion, on time and on budget.

Greyfriars, Kirkcudbright and St. Mary's Gatehouse of Fleet – An offer has been received by the joint vestries for the the rectory. The vestries have identified a replacement rectory and a survey is being carried out to identify a suitable offer price.

Church of the Good Shepherd Hillington – work is proceeding to identify the source of the flooding issues affecting the nursery.

Other

- **All Saints Bearsden and St. Andrews Milngavie** – A motion to allow St. Andrews Milngavie to become an incumbency will be put to Diocesan Synod.
- **Diocesan Synod 2015** – will meet at Holy Trinity and St. Barnabas, Paisley on Saturday 7th March.
- **Diocesan News** – the newsletter will restart with a first issue due out at the end of January. To register to receive the newsletter you should go to the following link <http://news.church.scot/> where you need to leave your name and email address.

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