## BISHOP’S STAFF GROUP - DIGEST

## Meeting held on 19th February 2015

### Present:The Bishop**,** TheDean, The Provost, Diocesan Treasurer, Diocesan Secretary, Synod Clerk

**Vacancies**

**Cambuslang/Uddingston** – Interim priest appointed and both charges running well.

**Port Glasgow / Kilmalcolm / Bridge of Weir** – Part time appointment made, new Rector to live at Kilmalcolm. Licensing to take place on Saturday May 30th.

**Gatehouse and Kirkcudbright** – Vacancy proceeding well.

**St. Silas Woodlands Glasgow** – Vacancy process moving ahead, charge looking into housing options.

**Holy Trinity Kilmarnock** – Vacancy process underway,no issues.

**St. Oswald’s King’s Park** – Candidate interviewed. No appointment before August. Vestry to consider purchase of a new rectory.

**St. Bride’s Hyndland / Kelvinside** – Vacancy process underway.

**East End team** – Interim Priest appointed (Revd. Les Ireland). Dean to discuss housing options with vestry.

**St. Paul and St. John, Monklands** – The Bishop to meet with vestry to start the vacancy process.

**Canon Missioner** – Candidate to be interviewed next month.

**Property**

**St. Cuthbert’s Cambuslang** – A report on the rectory has identified repairs required before the property is ready to let.

**Greyfriars, Kirkcudbright and St. Mary’s Gatehouse of Fleet** – Conveyancing process underway to finalise sale of rectory and purchase of new rectory.

**Christ Church, Dalbeattie** – Vestry and congregation are considering new plans to deal with the tower, including partial demolition and redesign of church roof.

**St. Mary’s Cathedral – Glasgow –** Temporary work carried out to make safe the bell tower louvres, whilst replacements are planned.

**Other**

* **All Saints Bearsden and St. Andrews Milngavie** – The Dean reported that a meeting of the Boundaries Committee has been called to decide the new boundaries at Milngavie.

* **Draft Budget 2015** – the Treasurer reported that Diocesan Council had agreed the draft Budget for 2015 and it would now go to Diocesan Synod for agreement on Sat. 7th March.
* **Diocesan News** – the newsletter is now underway and will be published to email addresses monthly. 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. Please encourage people to sign up, and remember that you can freely copy articles into paper copy church magazines.

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