

Tyne Valley Parish
Stated Annual Meeting
Following the Service in Cranston Church
On Sunday March 3rd 2024

Opening and Welcome: Rev. Dale London opened the meeting with a reading from Luke 10: 1-2

Apologies: David and Hilary Richardson, Emma Softley, Belinda Cresswell.

Minutes of Stated Annual Meeting on Sunday 19th March 2023 were accepted with the amendment that only Julia Baker prints the Newsletter Proposed by Catherine Leitch Seconded by Colin Grahame.

Matters arising: None

Presentation of Accounts: Dorothy Reilly read the accounts as circulated. Thanks were recorded to Tony Miller, for Auditing the accounts, to the Finance Committee for their support and to Colin Grahame for banking the offering in Fala. The Accounts were approved at the joint Kirk Session and Board Meeting

Activity Report: Rev. Dale London read out the Activity report as circulated. He explained that TVP & Crichton Communion Ware was now housed in the safe at Preston Hall, as the RBS was no longer prepared to keep it. Thanks, recorded to Will Callander. This remains a temporary solution until somewhere else can be found. The back letter imposed at the sale of Crichton Church was reviewed during the year, and it was decided after reflection and prayer that it no longer served a useful purpose and it was rescinded. Iain Luke has stepped down from the Kirk Session and Board, and moved to Haddington. Carrie has resigned from the Board, Emma Softley and Harriet Dalrymple joined the Board at the last ASM leaving the Board with 12 members. The Church Roll has 255 Members and Adherents, 40 children are involved in Church life. TVP joined Presbytery's Growing young programme requiring Dale and 3-4 others to commit to participating ensuring that TVP becomes a more intergenerational Church. The Ready-steady-Cook initiative received funding from both Seeds for Growth and Moorfoot Community Council. Thanks, recorded to Fiona Corsar, Carrie Bennett and Lisa Hobson for a job well done. IMPACT in Pathhead, attracts 5-10 children in North Middleton 5 children regularly attend. Thanks recorded to David Richardson and the entire team who run Messy Church.

Louise Spencer and her Holiday Club Volunteers were thanked for their sterling work. We no longer have a Health & Safety Officer since Audrey Grahame stepped down.

Congregational Board Report: Dale then read out the Congregational Board Report Thanking Dorothy and the Finance Committee for their Wonderful Job. Jon Torrens and Aileen Blackwood were commended for their work as the Property Convenors.

Election of Board Members: Carrie Bennett has stepped down otherwise the Board remains the same. Dale pointed out that the Board now stands at 12 members and that if it falls below 7, we cannot continue.

The meeting closed with us all saying the Grace together.