

The Kirk Session met on Tuesday 3rd March 2026 at 7.00pm. The Moderator, the Rev Mark Malcolm led the meeting in prayer and read from Tim Keller.

Sederunt: Sederunt and apologies as per the Sederunt Book.

The minutes of the 27th January 2026 were approved.

Apologies: Harry Backhouse, Harry Stewart, David Ferries, Roger Fleming, George McArthur, David McLaren

Correspondence: E-Mail received from Church of Scotland regarding General Assembly regarding Elder commissions to attend the GA. No one from session wished to be considered.

Safeguarding: Report by Mhairi Moore was noted. Safeguarding Co-ordinators have been asked to bring the following to the attention of Kirk Sessions: There is a potential that advice sought from Disclosure Scotland or other organisations may contradict the requirements of the Safeguarding Service of the Church of Scotland. In order that we adhere to our insurance policy conditions we must follow the advice of the Church of Scotland. All queries should be sent to Mhairi Moore and will contact the Safeguarding Service if necessary. This does NOT apply to the Boys' Brigade who are responsible for their own Safeguarding arrangements.

Insurance – Report by Dave McLaren was noted.

Health & Safety: Report by Dave McLaren and Roger Fleming was noted. The costs of any work required to be undertaken on the lift would require Session approval.

Fire Drill: Still outstanding and no date has been set.

Finance: Church Treasurer: Report by Les Moore was noted. The financial statement to 31st January was attached. Three recommendations were made. (1) Financial Statement: That the Kirk Session notes the current financial position. (2) 2025 Accounts: That the Kirk Session notes that the independent examination has been completed and records its thanks to Elise Black for conducting the independent examination. (3) Future Years Accounts: That the Kirk Session notes the change in the basis of preparation of the final accounts if / when total income exceeds £250,000; and, subject to total income remaining below £250,000, approves the re-appointment of Elise Black as Independent Examiner for the 2026 accounts. These recommendations were noted and approved.

Session Treasurer Report: George Tinning report was noted

Presbytery Elder: No one has come forward to take up the position of Presbytery Elder.

Working Teams Focus: YPF, A discussion was held by session on the work of the YPFW. It was noted that existing groups are still running well. The addition of other social events such as P7+, Easter Code, Walks and other external events was necessary in making social connections within the community.

Dates of Next Meetings: session Prayer April 25th 2026.

Date of Next Session Meeting: May 5th 2026

Moderator

Session Clerk