







**MINUTES OF ST MARY'S VESTRY MEETING  
THURSDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2024 AT 1830  
IN ST MARY'S CHURCH**

<b>1.</b>	<b>RECTOR'S WELCOME &amp; PRAYERS</b> M-A offered an opening prayer and welcomed all who attended.	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>PRESENT</b> Mark-Aaron Tisdale (M-A) (Chair), Sue Rowe (SR), Dave Rowe (DR), Elaine Hammersley (EH), Jean McGuinness (JMcG), Louise Speid (LS), Fiona Walthall (FW) (Secretary).  <b>APOLOGIES</b> Graeme Stirling (GS)	
<b>3.</b>	<b>ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM THURSDAY 15 AUGUST 2024</b> <b>Proposed: SR</b> <b>Seconded: JMcG</b>	<b>ALL</b>
<b>4.</b>	<b>RECTOR'S REPORT</b>  Rector's Report Sep 24.docx  LS enquired if there were any leaflets available for the Taizé style service as Michael has joined the Christian Union at University. JMcG said that she'll create the leaflets.  M-A mentioned that the new vestments which have been donated by anonymous donor have arrived.	<b>M-A</b>  <b>JMcG</b>
<b>5.</b>	<b>SECRETARY'S REPORT</b>  Secretary's Report 260924.docx  <b>CRAFT FAYRE:</b> FW mentioned that there are still 3 tables that remain to be booked but she has confidence that all tables will be taken by Sat 26 Oct.	<b>FW</b>



	<p><b>GOPAK TABLES:</b> One table has still to be delivered which will complete the final order of 24 including the double and single trolleys which safely accommodate all tables.</p> <p><b>ADDENDUM:</b> The table has been delivered.</p>	
6.	<p><b>TREASURER'S REPORT</b></p> <p>GS sent his apologies for absence. No report was forthcoming.</p> <p>SR enquired whether the matter concerning the 2 signatories for cheque signing had been resolved. Apparently, the Bank of Scotland has 'lost' the application forms. This matter has now been ongoing for 2 years with no resolution in sight. M-A will discuss with GS at some stage.</p>	<b>GS</b>
7.	<p><b>PROPERTY CONVENER'S REPORT</b></p> <p> Buildings Manager Report 260924.docx</p> <p>The ongoing and unsatisfactory saga regarding the insurance remains unresolved.</p> <p>DR will book the steeplejack for a return visit in the spring.</p>	<b>DR</b>
8.	<p><b>SAFEGUARDING REPORT</b></p> <p>As per email previously forwarded to the vestry, no issues or concerns have been raised to date.</p>	<b>DkR</b>
9.	<p><b>MISSION</b></p> <p>The K&amp;N group produced 96 premmie and early arrivals babies' bonnets in various sizes for the ICU, Maternity Department, Ninewells hospital. These were taken up to the hospital by EH.</p> <p>SR mentioned that easy to knit simple jerseys could be produced for Eswatini.</p> <p>Pat Millar is the Diocesan link officer who could be invited to talk to the congregation. SR will link with Pat Millar.</p> <p>M-A has invited a speaker from Fairtrade to visit St Mary's in the future to talk to the congregation about Fairtrade and it's ethically sourced and produced products.</p>	



	M-A produced 2 spiral pin brooches from a recent visit to Iona.	
<b>10.</b>	<b>WEBSITE REPORT</b>  Website update 260924.docx  M-A stated that JMcG had done a great a deal of work on the website as she has redesigned the front page and has commenced work on the Church Bookings page, which she will continue to update.	<b>JMcG</b>
<b>11.</b>	<b>AOCB</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>TREASURER'S REPLACEMENT</b> DR spoke with Christine Berry whose daughter-in-law is an accountant. FW mentioned about approaching the Accountancy Department at Dundee University.  M-A will talk to CB's daughter-in-law reference the treasurer's post.</li><li>• <b>INVENTORIES</b> On hold.</li><li>• <b>COSY WEDNESDAYS</b>  Will once again resume on Wed 2 Oct from 1130 to 1500JMcG mentioned the matter of keyholders as she is not in possession of key and consequently not on the list. She is happy to be added to list of keyholders to enable access to the church.</li><li>• <b>HANDRAILS</b> M-A suggested installing 2 handrails; one either side of the Chancel steps and another handrail or grab handles up to the pulpit. A Canon 35 application will be required.</li></ul>	<b>ALL</b>
<b>12.</b>	<b>RECTOR'S CLOSING GRACE</b>	<b>M-A &amp; ALL</b>
<b>13.</b>	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY 31 OCTOBER 2024</b>	