

Presbytery of xxxxxx

Basis of Guardianship – xxxxxx

The Congregation of xxxxxx (SC0xxxxx) shall be constituted on a Basis of Guardianship as from as from a date to be determined by the Presbytery of xxxxxx, and that on the following Terms and Conditions:

1. **Name:** The name of the congregation shall be 'xxxxxx' and will retain Scottish Charity Number SC0xxxxx.
2. **Transference of Property and Funds:** The property and funds belonging to or held on behalf of the congregation shall continue to belong or held on behalf of the congregation.
3. **Places of Worship:** Worship for the congregation will continue to be held in xxxxx, with the times of worship as agreed by the Kirk Session subject to the agreement of Presbytery.
4. **Territorial Responsibility:** The bounds to be served by the charge shall continue to be the bounds presently held by the charge.
5. **Kirk Session:** The elders of the congregation shall form, with the Interim Moderator, the Kirk Session of the congregation.
6. **Congregational Management:** The congregation shall continue to be administered under the Deed of Constitution (Unitary Form).
7. **Minister:** The charge will not be free to call a minister during the period of Guardianship. The Interim Moderator will be appointed by the Presbytery.
8. **Manse:** The manse of the congregation will be retained and may be let, sold or otherwise disposed of, during the course of Guardianship, subject to the agreement of the Presbytery and the General Trustees of the Church of Scotland.
9. **Ministerial Support:** A Guardianship Allowance shall be applied to this charge.
10. **Worship and Pastoral Care:** A Locum shall be appointed by the Kirk Sessions, for two days a week plus Sunday (using Guardianship Allowance), this appointment being subject to the approval of Presbytery.
11. **Review:** The Basis of Guardianship shall be subject to interim review during the month two years following the date of constitution, and to a comprehensive review during the month five years following the date of constitution, the latter review to be brought to Presbytery prior to approving the continuance of Guardianship or adjusting arrangements as the need may arise.
12. **Power to readjust:** While the articles and terms shall form the Basis of Guardianship for the congregation, the congregation shall be free to adjust arrangements under the authority of Presbytery as need may arise.