

A message from the Interim Moderator

Vacancy Update.

As we all know at the beginning of the year Muirkirk Parish Church, Lugar Parish Church, Cumnock Old Parish Church, Cumnock Trinity Parish Church and New Cumnock Parish Church formed a union and became South East Ayrshire Parish Church. This was enacted when the Presbytery used statutory powers, in terms of the Presbytery Plan.

Thereafter Presbytery had cause to put this in place quite rapidly.

Reviewing the current situation with South East Ayrshire Parish Church the Presbytery accept that acting so speedily has not been in the best interest of the congregation. With the unsettled position of places of worship and buildings etc it is clear more time is needed.

There was a proposal to employ an Interim Minister for the congregation. This post holder would be a full time Minister of Word and Sacrament who would be in place for a fixed 2 year contract. There would only be a requirement for one Locum Minister and discussions about that would be for a later date.

The Kirk Session met on Wednesday 23rd September and Session agreed to the proposal and the process is now in motion.

This means that there will be no Nomination Committee being formed at this time.

Yours in Him

Bill Duncan, Interim Moderator.