The Church of Scotland
Nomination Committee

INFORMATION FOR POTENTIAL NEW MEMBERS IN 2027

NAME OF STANDING COMMITTEE/AGENCY: Mission Support Programme Group	
CONVENER/CHAIR:	Rev Scott McRoberts

REMIT:
The remit of the committee is as follows:

- Equip, inspire, resource and support the Church locally, at presbytery and at the national level in mission with a focus on digital ministry, Priority Areas, young people and young adults' ministry and church planting.
- Support worship renewal and the renewal of inherited congregations.
- Encourage and develop new ways of being Church, fostering innovation and church growth.
- Provide oversight of the Gaelic Committee, the Education and Schools Group and Scottish Workplace Chaplaincy.

SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE SOUGHT AT THIS TIME:
Experience **(NB we are not expecting people to have experience of all of these)**

- Current or recent experience of the local church living missionally within its community and beyond
- Developing understanding of the theology of mission
- Missional community development or church planting
- Understanding of worship and its renewal
- Passion for the Church's commitment to those experiencing poverty
- Exploration of new approaches to church life
- Experience of mission with youth or young adults and/or raising a new generation of leaders
- Awareness of the need for the Church to reside in the digital 'world'

Skills

- Leadership
- Strategic planning
- Project planning
- Collaboration
- Creativity
- Active listening
- Mediation

EXPECTATIONS OF MEMBERS:
It is hoped that meetings of this group will be characterised by honest, inspiring, passionate and rigorous discussion.

To enable this, there is an emphasis on

- Good preparation (and papers being delivered to members in good time)
- Valuing the presence of each member
- Openness to new ways of thinking
- Commitment to creative approaches

Induction and training are provided.

MEMBERSHIP AND ANTICIPATED VACANCIES:
One Programme Group Leader and six members, with co-opting powers.

It is anticipated that there will be two member vacancies to be filled with a start date of June 2027.

FREQUENCY, TIMING AND VENUE OF MEETINGS:
6 to 8 meetings per year for members. The expectation is that the meetings will last two and a half hours maximum. All meetings will be held online, with the exception of one full day in person conference per year, typically in the autumn.

The Programme Group Leader is expected to attend the meetings as detailed above along with additional half-day Faith Action Programme Leadership Team meetings as required. These meetings are also held in person.

DETAILS OF SUB-COMMITTEES/GROUPS:
Sub-groups will aim to meet during the allocated Programme Group meeting time.

Short-term project groups may be set up to focus on specific elements of the work; participation would be optional.

FURTHER DETAILS:
See details on the Assembly Trustees webpage including:

- Extended version of the Report of the D10 Group, which shows the Group's detailed working (an Appendix to the Trustees' Report to the General Assembly May 2022)
- Faith Action Leadership Team Report to the General Assembly 2025
- Faith Action Programme Leadership Team - Additional Information

Also see the Faith Action webpage