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NOMINATION TO SERVE ON A GENERAL ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE

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NOMINATION COMMITTEE

THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE WILL

- Consider nominations and identify people whose skills and experience will be of particular use to a given area of work.
- Strive for equality, diversity and inclusion within the membership of the Standing Committees of the General Assembly.
- Bring before the General Assembly names of persons to serve on the Standing Committees of the General Assembly.
- Satisfy itself that an open and transparent process has been followed in identifying the Convener or Vice-Convener so suggested by the relevant Standing Committee.
- Note any mid-term appointment made in consultation with the Convener of the Nomination Committee.

THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE WILL ALSO

- Receive a list of names from the Legal Questions Committee (LQC) of people whom it considers suitably qualified to serve on the legal bodies. Note that the list has been agreed by representatives of the Nomination Committee, the LQC, the Principal Clerk, and the Solicitor. The Committee will approve the list, subject to discussion, and the names will be passed to the General Assembly for appointment.
- Comment on recommendations for appointment of Assembly Trustees. Any appointment shall be made by the Trustees, subject to approval by the General Assembly.
- Be represented on the selection panel for appointment of members to the Church of Scotland's Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Group. Appointment shall be made by the Trustees.

NOMINATIONS PROCESS WHAT NOW?

GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2021

- Thank those who responded to the call for nominations and encourage members, Elders, Deacons and Ministers to consider nomination for the 2021-22 process.
- Invite each of the Standing Committees to reconsider its constitution and confirm the appropriate number of General Assembly appointed members which is required.
- Urge the Nomination Committee to consider adding additional information to the form to ensure a diverse range of voices is facilitated and included on Committees; such as Age brackets, Previous experience, Length of service on National Committees, Preferred method of attendance (in person or online) including hybrid option enabled for all to improve inclusion.

NOMINATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

- See the recorded conversations with some of our enthusiastic spokes people.
- Read through the details of the nomination process provided on the Nomination Committee webpage.
- The online Nomination Form cannot be saved and added to at a later date. You should therefore ensure that you have the required details ready to enter into the form. A lack of information may reduce your chances of being selected.
- All nominations must be supported by a third party as listed on the forms (Kirk Session, Presbytery, The Guild, Deacon, Minister, Standing Committee, Nomination Committee).
- Where a nomination is supported by the Standing Committee the relevant Convener should complete the Supporting a Nomination Form.

NOMINATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

- A Nomination Form is required for all proposed nominees: new/reappointment/returning/convenership.
- Nominees are encouraged to put their name forward for more than one committee.
- Nominees require to be a member of the Church of Scotland.
- Both the Nomination Form and corresponding Supporting a Nomination Form are required for every nomination. Otherwise this cannot be considered by the Committee.
- Candidates in Training, Probationers and Ministers in their first year after ordination will not normally be nominated to serve on Standing Committees.
- Inevitably, not all nominees will be asked to serve, though they may be approached in connection with another Committee.

NOMINATIONS PROCESS

WHAT NEXT?

NOMINATIONS TIMELINE

Nov 2021

- All Nomination Forms and Supporting a Nomination Forms must be submitted by 30 November.
- Short paper from relevant Committees received by 30 November to describe the open and transparent process which has been followed in identifying any proposed new Convener or Vice-Convener.

Dec 2021

- Nomination Forms shared with the Nomination Committee and relevant Committee Conveners.
- Legal Questions Committee to prepare list of names for nomination to the legal bodies.
- Membership of Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Group to be considered by a panel.

NOMINATIONS TIMELINE

Jan 2022

- Nomination Committee members and Committee Conveners review all nominations received and consider these against vacancies arising.

Feb 2022

- Nomination Committee meets 2-3 February 2022 to agree the names to put forward for General Assembly approval.
- Committee Conveners invited to be present at meeting of the Nomination Committee when the composition of their respective Committee is under consideration.
- Proposed nominees contacted prior to name being included in the Nomination Committee Report to the General Assembly.

May 2022

- Nominations are subject to General Assembly approval.

VACANCIES

STANDING COMMITTEES

C = Convener
 VC = Vice-Convener
 M = Member

Standing Committee	Vacancies	Standing Committee	Vacancies
Assembly Business Committee	VC, 2M	Legal Questions Committee	1M
Audit Committee	C	Life and Work Advisory Committee	2M
Chaplains to Her Majesty's Forces Committee	C, 3M	Nomination Committee	VC, 7M
Committee to Nominate the Moderator	C, 15M	Registration of Ministries Committee	1M
Ecumenical Relations Committee	C, 2M	Safeguarding Committee	1M
Faith Impact Forum	VC, 5M	Social Care Council (CrossReach Board)	3M
Faith Nurture Forum	VC, 4M	Theological Forum	2M
Iona Community Board	2M	NOTE: Convener'ship vacancies may convert to member vacancies	Total 58

IN CONSULTATION WITH THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE

- Assembly Trustees (Convener, Administrative Trustee, 2 Trustees)
- Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Group (Convener, 1 Member)
- Legal Bodies (approx. 40 vacancies in total):
 - Appeals Committee of the Commission of Assembly
 - Discipline Tribunal
 - Judicial Commission
 - Judicial Panel
 - Judicial Proceedings Panel
 - Ministries Appeal Panel
 - Mission Plan Review Group (new group)
 - Personnel Appeal Group (was with Nomination Committee)
 - Safeguarding Appeal Panel (was with Nomination Committee)

NOMINATION TO OTHER BODIES

Separate processes are in operation for nomination and appointment to the following bodies. The Nomination Committee has no contribution.

- The Church Hymnary Trustees
- Church of Scotland Investors Trust
- The Church of Scotland Trust
- General Trustees
- Trustees of The Church of Scotland Housing and Loan Fund for Retired Ministers and Widows and Widowers of Ministers
- Church of Scotland Pension Trustees

QUESTIONS?

CONTACT

POINTS OF CONTACT

Any queries relating to nominations via the Nomination Committee processes should be emailed to nominations@churchofscotland.org.uk

Standing Committee	Convenership	Contact Details
Assembly Business Committee	Donald McCorkindale, Convener Susan Pym, Vice-Convener	George Whyte, Principal Clerk, Email: gwhyte@churchofscotland.org.uk
Audit Committee	Andrew Croxford, Convener	Office of the Assembly Trustees, Email: OATadmin@churchofscotland.org.uk
Chaplains to Her Majesty's Forces Committee	Marjory MacLean, Convener John Duncan, Vice-Convener	Daran Golby, Ministries Development Manager, Email: DGolby@churchofscotland.org.uk
Committee to Nominate the Moderator	Convened by immediate past / former Moderator of the General Assembly	George Whyte, Principal Clerk, Email: gwhyte@churchofscotland.org.uk
Ecumenical Relations Committee	Sandy Horsburgh, Convener Eileen Miller, Vice-Convener	John McPake, Ecumenical Officer, Email: ecumenical@churchofscotland.org.uk
Faith Impact Forum	Susan Brown, Convener Alan Miller, Vice-Convener	Scott Shackleton, Head of Faith Action Programme, Email: SShackleton@churchofscotland.org.uk
Faith Nurture Forum	Rosie Frew, Convener Karen Campbell, Vice-Convener	Scott Shackleton, Head of Faith Action Programme, Email: SShackleton@churchofscotland.org.uk

POINTS OF CONTACT

Standing Committee	Convenership	Contact Details
Iona Community Board	Tom Gordon, Convener	Tom Gordon, Convener, Email: tom.swallowsnest@gmail.com
Legal Questions Committee	Grant Barclay, Convener Victoria Linford, Vice-Convener	George Whyte, Principal Clerk, Email: gwhyte@churchofscotland.org.uk
Life and Work Advisory Committee	James Stewart, Convener	Lynne McNeil, Editor of Life and Work, Email: magazine@lifeandwork.org
Nomination Committee	Julie Rennick, Convener Bill Wishart, Vice-Convener	Nominations mailbox, Email: nominations@churchofscotland.org.uk
Registration of Ministries Committee	Hazel Hastie, Convener Fiona Smith, Vice-Convener	Angus Mathieson, Clerk of the Committee, Email: RegistrationofMinistries@churchofscotland.org.uk
Safeguarding Committee	Adam Dillon, Convener Fiona Reynolds, Vice-Convener	Julie Main, Safeguarding Service Manager, Email: safeguarding@churchofscotland.org.uk
Social Care Council (CrossReach Board)	Thom Riddell, Convener Sarah Wood, Vice-Convener	Viv Dickenson, Secretary to the CrossReach Board, via Ashley Roxburgh, Executive Support Manager, Ashley.Roxburgh@crossreach.org.uk
Theological Forum	Liam Fraser, Convener Susan Hardman Moore, Vice-Convener	Nathalie Mares MacCallum, Secretary to the Theological Forum, Email: nmaresmaccallum@churchofscotland.org.uk

POINTS OF CONTACT – OTHER BODIES

Body/Group	Convener/Chair	Contact Details
Assembly Trustees	John Chalmers, Convener David Harrison, Vice-Convener	Office of the Assembly Trustees, Email: OATadmin@churchofscotland.org.uk
Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Group	<i>vacancy</i> , Convener Mandy Ralph, Vice-Convener	Jennie Chinembiri, Programme Lead, Email: jchinembiri@churchofscotland.org.uk
Legal Bodies (listed on Nomination Committee webpage)	Legal Questions Committee: Grant Barclay, Convener Victoria Linford, Vice-Convener	George Whyte, Principal Clerk, Email: gwhyte@churchofscotland.org.uk
Church Hymnary Trustees	Philip H Brodie, Chair Hugh Angus, Secretary and Treasurer	Via nominations mailbox, Email: nominations@churchofscotland.org.uk
Church of Scotland Investors Trust	Brian Duffin, Chair Robert Burgon, Vice-Chair	June Lee, Investors Trust Executive Officer, Email: investorstrust@churchofscotland.org.uk
The Church of Scotland Trust	Thomas Watson, Chair Stuart Lynch, Vice-Chair	Madelaine Sproule, Secretary and Clerk, Email: msproule@churchofscotland.org.uk
General Trustees	Ian Townsend, Chair Fiona Mathieson, Vice-Chair	Barri Millar, Chief Executive of the General Trustees, Email: gentrustees@churchofscotland.org.uk
Housing and Loan Fund	MaryAnn Rennie, Chair Dorothy Anderson, Deputy Chair	Hazel Bett, Secretary to the Housing and Loan Fund, Email: HousingAndLoan@churchofscotland.org.uk
Pension Trustees	Graeme Caughey, Chair Lin Macmillan, Vice-Chair	Jane McLeod, Pensions Manager, Email: pensions@churchofscotland.org.uk

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