

Minutes of the Extraordinary Church Meeting

Sunday November 3rd 2024

Present

Revd Vanessa Hollingworth, 23 members and 9 non-members

Apologies

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The meeting followed straight after the church service

Vanessa outlined the reason for this meeting which was to enable the members to vote after last weekend's visit of Elsie Fraser preaching with a view.

Vanessa asked if anyone whether member or non-member wanted to ask any questions or make any comments.

Elsie had previously met with the deacons and had left a good impression with them.

Paul commented on speaking with Elsie.

Janet commented that Elsie explained about herself very well on the Saturday informal get together

The service last Sunday went very well and attended by a good number of people. After the service Elsie stayed during refreshments to speak with as many of the congregation as possible, especially those she had not met with before.

The Deacons proposed that we should call Elsie to become our new minister. It is thought that she would be able to start shortly after Easter.

Ballot papers were then handed out to all members, who were asked to indicate a 'yes' or 'no' vote. No names to be put on the slips so that everyone's vote was secret.

Tony Salt and Stephen McGill were appointed to count the votes.

The result of the ballot of 23 members was 22 for yes and one blank slip.

This result meant that we would issue a call to Elsie Fraser to become our next minister.