



Brightons Parish Church of Scotland

The Election of the Nominating Committee

The meeting to elect the Nominating Committee which was due to be held on Sunday 4th March, and had to be postponed due to the adverse weather that day resulting in the cancellation of the church services, is now to be held on

Sunday 18th March 2018

after morning worship.

This meeting will be chaired by the Interim Moderator, Rev Dr J Mary Henderson and will start as soon as she is able to get to Brightons following the services in her own churches. We anticipate that this will be around 12.45 pm.

Refreshments will be available after the morning service and before the meeting and we would encourage as many people as possible to come to church that morning and stay on in order to participate in this very important step, moving us forward in the vacancy.

The following points, copied from the recent update are still relevant for the rearranged meeting.

- The Nominating Committee has to have an odd number of members, up to a maximum of 13. In previous vacancies, given the size of our congregation, the committee has always had 13 members.
- The members of the Nominating Committee have to be shown, either as members or adherents, on the Electoral Register which was drawn up and agreed in November 2017.
- The Nominating Committee should be representative of the congregation as a whole, so should include men and women, older and younger members or adherents as well as a mix of those who have been long-standing members and those who are newer. No more than one member from any household should be elected to the Nominating Committee.
- Those wishing to stand for election to serve on the Committee will have to be nominated and seconded at this meeting and also have indicated their willingness to serve.
- If more than 13 names are proposed and seconded, there will be a written secret ballot held to choose those who will serve on the Committee. Only those present at the meeting will be entitled to vote.

If you wish to find out more then please feel free contact me on 01324 711072 or sessionclerk@brightonschurch.org.uk

The relevant Church of Scotland Act can be found at

http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/_data/assets/pdf_file/0006/45735/2003_Act_8_Vacancy_Procedure_from_1_January_2018.pdf Sections 15-17

We look forward to your attendance at this meeting and participation in the election of the Nominating Committee.

Eric C Smith
Session Clerk
8th March 2018