31 January 2022

Dear Friends,

You may recall that last December Presbytery agreed that the work on the new Mission Plan would be done on a zonal basis. Presbytery will be asked to approve these zones on 8<sup>th</sup> March, so we are contacting you now to ask each congregation to confirm where it sees itself best placed. Once these zones are agreed, the Presbytery Plan Creation Group (PPCG) will consult with each zone and at a local level to work out how best the plan will be met.

Congregations have been placed in the same geographical grouping that was given for the focus groups last autumn. It might be that you feel your congregation sits better in an alternative group. If so please make clear in your response where it would be better placed and why.

In order that this work can be placed before Presbytery on 8<sup>th</sup> March, the PPCG asks for responses to be returned by 28<sup>th</sup> February.

The attached provisional map is based on geography and there may be some congregations who feel that they would be better working with those in another zone. Once the zones are agreed, an allocation of posts will then be given to each zone for the further discussions. The population figures used to make these allocations will be the most recently available to presbytery, which takes its guidance from the Church of Scotland statistician. Given that the plan will be reviewed on an annual basis, it is anticipated that each year the populations in each zone will be revised and the plan updated on that basis.

Yours faithfully

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