

Dear fellow members of the Church of Scotland,

Thank you to those who have completed a nomination form and to those who have supported a nomination. We have been pleased and encouraged by the quality of the forms submitted so far and are extending the deadline to Friday 24 January in order to give the opportunity for more people to put themselves forward for nomination. A short video explaining the work of the Nomination Committee and encouraging you to get involved is available [here](#).

Details on the committees and of the nominations process, including links to the online 'Nomination Form' and 'Supporting a Nomination Form', can be found on the [Nomination Committee](#) webpages. Nominees must be members of the Church of Scotland. In addition, due to the high expectations placed on Candidates in Training, Probationers and Ministers in their first year following ordination, they are not normally invited to serve on committees.

Serving nationally is a good way of getting to know the Church better, and engaging with others from across the country and beyond. While it needs commitment and can be time-consuming and demanding, it is a real opportunity to extend one's Christian service and witness.

Might you or someone you know be willing to volunteer to serve in this way? We depend on you and others spreading the word and actively encouraging involvement.

The Nomination Committee receives nominations for the bodies listed below. Please note the number of anticipated vacancies for each body:

- Assembly Business Committee (1 member vacancy)
- Audit Committee (2 member vacancies)
- Chaplains to His Majesty's Forces Committee (no vacancies anticipated)
- Committee to Nominate the Moderator (members are now nominated by Presbyteries)
- Ecumenical Relations Committee (2 member vacancies)
- Ethical Oversight Committee (no vacancies anticipated)
- Faith Action Programme Leadership (FAPLT) (3 member vacancies)
- FAPLT - Mission Support (no vacancies anticipated)
- FAPLT - People and Training (1 member vacancy)
- FAPLT - Presbytery Mission Plan Implementation (1 member vacancy)
- FAPLT - Public Life and Social Justice (no vacancies anticipated)
- FAPLT - Resource and Presence (1 member vacancy)
- Iona Community Board (no vacancies anticipated)
- Legal Questions Committee (5 member vacancies)
- Life and Work Advisory Committee (2 member vacancies)
- Nomination Committee (7 member vacancies)
- Presbytery Review Committee (no vacancies anticipated)
- Registration of Ministries (no vacancies anticipated)
- Safeguarding Committee (3 member vacancies)
- Social Care Council / CrossReach (2 member vacancies)
- Theological Forum (4 member vacancies)
- EDI Group (3 member vacancies)
- Seeds for Growth (2 member vacancies)

We will treat the nomination forms confidentially and consider them carefully. We meet on 29 & 30 January and those selected will then be contacted. This is to seek permission from the individual for their name to go to the General Assembly in May for approval. Appointments commence after the General Assembly.

Any queries on the nomination process should be emailed to nominations@churchofscotland.org.uk.

Many thanks,

