

1. **WELCOME:** Rev Beard opened the meeting.
2. **IN ATTENDANCE:** Rev Marie Beard (in the chair), Rev Michael Holland, Tom Dodds, Jacqui Cameron, Sheila Holland, Norman Fullard, Christine Thompson, Daryl Ralston, Ian Warburton, Sandra Martin. Ruth Johnson, Margaret Weatherson, Evelyn Charlton, Glen Smith, Robin Charlton.
3. **APOLOGIES:** Rev Tony Buglass, Margery Burgess, Elaine Goy, Brian Japes, Margaret Bogie, Valerie Anthony, Roger Anthony, Carol Davies, Fiona Calveray, Rev Sherwood, Brian Elstob, Bob McAlpin.
4. **PASTORAL MATTERS:** Margery Burgess is poorly. Brian Japes knee replacement recently. Margaret Bogie is poorly.
5. **MINUTES** of the meeting held on 18 April 2024 at Hexham West End Methodist Church, previously circulated, were accepted as a true record.
6. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** not otherwise on the Agenda:
  - a. None
7. **NOTIFICATION OF ANY OTHER BUSINESS** not otherwise on the Agenda:
  - a. Prudhoe: see below.
8. **CORRESPONDENCE:**
  - a. None. TD to sort out why he's not getting emails from The Methodist Church.
9. **PREPARATION FOR SERVICE:**
  - a. Seeking a Note to Preach:
    - i. None
  - b. Preachers On Note:
    - i. None.
  - c. Progress of Preachers On Trial:
    - i. None. Daryl Ralston: Jacqui Cameron is tutoring and Ruth Johnson is the mentor. Jacqui reported on progress. There will be some tutorial support via an on line group. Jacqui will ask Laura to circulate an email for potential Worship Leaders to be able to participate in this training.
    - ii. Sandra heard Daryl on 12 May at Hexham Trinity and fed back. The meeting agreed to Daryl continuing On Trial.
  - d. Arrangements for preachers to be heard and a report prepared:
    - i. Daryl Ralston: 25 August at Haydon Bridge. Sandra will report.
10. **FUTURE TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES:**
  - a. Worship Leader training is available via Jacqui, as noted above.
11. **PEER REVIEW:** reminder. These happen on an 'ad hoc' basis, but we're always pleased to hear about them at this meeting.

12. **NEWS FROM CHURCHES:** Prudhoe Sound System: Ruth: letters to preachers are going out early, as new people are on powerpoint and desk; please give as much notice of your Order of Service as possible, as hymn books are not in use, all hymns are on screen.  
Fourstones Flower Festival 26-28 July.
13. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS** as notified at 7 above:  
a. None
14. **FUTURE MEETINGS:** (all at 7.30pm, unless otherwise stated, *volunteer for devotions*):  
a. Thursday 3rd October 2024 at Hexham West End: *Devotions: Bob McAlpin*  
b. Thursday 16 January 2025 at Hexham West End: *Devotions:*  
c. Thursday 10 April 2025 at Hexham West End: *Devotions:*  
d. Thursday 10 July 2025 at Riding Mill. Time TBA. Rev Beard will confirm. *Devotions: Communion and Reaffirmation.*
15. The business part of the meeting was then followed by our Service of Recognition for the Long Service of Evelyn Charlton and Margaret Weatherson, Communion and our Reaffirmation.