**BASIS OF GUARDIANSHIP**

On a date determined by the Presbytery of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, the congregation of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(SC0\_\_\_\_\_\_) shall be placed in the Guardianship of the Presbytery on the following terms and conditions:

1. **Name:** The name of the congregation shall remain \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (SCO\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_).

2. **Transference of Property and Funds:** the property and funds belonging to or held on behalf of the congregation shall continue to belong to or be held on behalf of the congregation.

3. **Place of Worship:** The church building to be used for regular worship by the congregation will be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Church. The times of worship will be as agreed by the Kirk Session, subject to the approval of Presbytery.

4. **Territorial Responsibility:** The bounds to be served by the charge shall continue to be the bounds at present served by the charge.

5. **Kirk Session:** The elder of the Kirk Session, with the Interim Moderator, shall form the Kirk Session of the congregation.

6. **Congregational Management:** The temporal affairs of the congregation shall [continue to] be administered under the Unitary Constitution.

7. **Minister:** The charge will not be free to call a Minister during the period of Guardianship. The Interim Moderator will be appointed by Presbytery.

8. **Manse:** The manse of the congregation will be [retained/sold – please specify with appropriate wording].

9. **Ministerial Support:** A Guardianship Allowance shall be applied to this charge. [Note: Needs to be accounted for under the PMP allocation].

10. **Worship and Pastoral Care:** A locum shall be appointed by the Kirk Session for up to two days a week plus Sundays (using the Guardianship Allowance), this appointment being subject to the approval of the Presbytery.

11. **Review:** The Basis of Guardianship shall be subject to an interim review during the month [two years] following the date of constitution, and to a comprehensive review during the month five years following the date of constitution, in accordance with section 7.0(5) of the Presbytery Mission Plan Act (Act VIII 2021). In addition, a review each year will take place as part of the annual evaluation and development of the Presbytery Mission Plan at which continuance of the Guardianship or adjustment of the arrangements may be proposed.

12. **Power to Readjust:** While the articles and terms shall form the Basis of Guardianship for the congregation, it shall be free, like other congregations, to adjust arrangements under the authority of the Presbytery as need may arise.