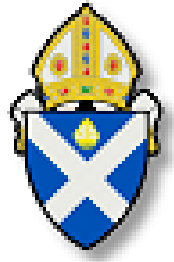


The Communicant

News and Notices for the Diocese of Edinburgh



27th July 2017

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NOTICES

TREASURERS Pensions auto-enrolment final staging dates

The final group of Charges have their pensions auto-enrolment staging date on 1 August 2017. On this date a pension scheme needs to be in place, and all paid staff need to be assessed and receive the appropriate letter. Those earning £833 per month must be enrolled in a pension scheme (which may be the SEC scheme); those earning £490 are entitled to opt-in to a pension scheme with employer contributions; those below may join a scheme but no employer contributions are required. A declaration of compliance then needs to be completed for the Pensions Regulator.

Further guidance, including template letters, is available at:
<http://www.scotland.anglican.org/vestry-resources/appointments-and-employment/pensions-automatic-enrolment/>

ALL REMINDER *The Communicant* has moved

The Communicant will now be available every second **Wednesday**. Please ensure that all notices and events are in by the Tuesday, to enable submission for publication on the Wednesday. Event information should be sent as a ready-made 'flyer' in either A5 or A4, in either JPEG or PDF format,

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News from the Bishop's Enabler of Mission

Only one more Growing Together Roadshow to go! The previous three have been really encouraging and enjoyable for all who came, so please join us at the **LAST ONE at St Peter's Lutton Place on 2nd September. YOU DO NEED TO BOOK IN** for catering and planning purposes, either by email at growingtogether@dioceseofedinburgh.org or online at <http://growingtogetheredinburgh.bpt.me/>

STOP PRESS - For those with young children, we are offering child care for those under 12 at the St Peter's Roadshow, but you must book children in by 27th August.

Also check out the fabulous ideas for getting children and young people involved <http://edinburgh.anglican.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/06/Growing-Together-Childrenand-Young-People-Resources.pdf>

If we are honest, many of us find sharing our faith with those outwith the church rather scary and are a bit afraid of the idea of evangelism. For some encouragement, ideas and inspiration why not join me for an evening called **"Disciples Making Disciples"** with Matt Summerfield (*from Urban Saints*) **at Grangemouth on Thursday 31st August at 7:30pm.** (AGH Christian Fellowship, Myreton Road, Grangemouth, FK3 0BD). He is an excellent speaker and I can highly recommend this event, thoroughly worth the cost of £3.78. For more details or to book online visit www.urbansaints.org/dmdgrangemouth or speak to Annie in the office (0131 346 9089).

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News from the Youth and Children Officer

The latest Youth and Children newsletter can be found [here](#). This edition Features:

- An update on the play church at Pentecost
- Great things that are happening in churches around the diocese
- A round-up of current events and resources
- Important guidelines for using photographs of children in your Church's publicity



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News from the Adventures In Faith Coordinator

Adult Christian Learning in Borders Area

Following the Galashiels roadshow there are seeds being planted for a 'local learning hub' in the Borders. If you are interested to know more or be part of this possibility please do be in touch. The next submission deadline for the September **Adventures in Faith newsletter** is 1st August. Following three of the four Roadshows we want to highlight events in *all* areas of the diocese - but this does rely on East, West and Borders areas submitting events, as well as Edinburgh. These can be courses, days, retreats, one-off services, workshops etc on topics around discipleship, theology, spirituality, ethics, social justice, family, faith and work etc. They don't all have to be organised by diocese churches, but if they are held within the diocese area and you feel they would be of interest to others I would be delighted to receive them; around 30 words (in Word) is ideal. *Thank you.*

Elizabeth White, Adventures in Faith Coordinator, adventures@dioceseofedinburgh.org

DIARY

Sunday 30th July	Bishop Presiding at The Good Shepherd , Murrayfield
Tuesday 1st August	Institution of Revd Sarah Shaw as Rector, Christ Church, Falkirk
<i>Advance Notices:</i>	
Saturday 2nd September	Growing Together Roadshow, St Peter's Hall , Lutton Place , Edinburgh
Thursday 26th October	Diocesan Synod (evening) St Michael's Parish Church, Linlithgow
Saturday 17 March 2018	Diocesan Synod at St Paul's & St George's, Edinburgh

CHANGES & APPOINTMENTS

None this time

Growing Together

Have you heard about this exciting adventure? Growing Together is a journey we are all embarking in the Diocese of Edinburgh to explore and articulate what God

is calling us to be and do, at this time for this generation. As church communities we aspire to be faithful followers of Christ in our worship, service and witness, and so with constant change all around it is an opportune time to discern our vision and key priorities to give a clearer focus for the days ahead. Our hope is that this process of Growing Together will help us all develop stronger relationships, deeper faith, confident witness, wise stewardship and effective resources.

We are inviting every charge and all members of our diocese, both lay and clergy, to join in this journey. Bishop John will be travelling the Diocese and we would love you to come with others from your church to one of the roadshow events in four different locations. Come and contribute to the discernment of our vision and priorities. We want to reflect together on the adventure so far and listen to your local stories about what is working well in your church. We will spend time in worship and prayer, discussion and lunch. These events will be interactive, fun and inspiring as we discover and celebrate what God is doing amongst us.

Roadshow dates and venues are below and bookings are already open using the special email address - growingtogether@dioceseofedinburgh.org

Sadly the Edinburgh one has had to change, so more details will be available after Easter. Do keep an eye on the website here - <http://edinburgh.anglican.org/growing-together/>

I hope you might be aware that we also have a Diocesan prayer and some suggested liturgy resources to encourage us all to be attentive to God in our corporate and private devotions throughout this process. At the Synod the Bishop commended the use of the dismissal in our worship these the coming months. Hard copies of these resources can be posted from the office and they are downloadable in word or pdf from the website to insert into your liturgies - <http://edinburgh.anglican.org/growing-together/>

Please do publicise this journey of Growing Together as widely as possible to your vestry, congregations and even family and friends. There are be some resources to help with this also on our website, for your magazine and notice sheets.

Like all adventures there will be surprises along the way. How will YOU be involved and inspired?



Growing Together Roadshow

Come and explore together how our churches can grow, change and flourish.

Reflections from Bishop John Shared Lunch
Celebratory Eucharist Group Discussion

We want to **hear stories** from your church, and **share good news** about how your church is moving forward.

Join the adventure of Growing Together in the Diocese of Edinburgh

Four different Roadshow locations across the Diocese, choose a venue or date as suits you

Bo'ness	Saturday 27th May St Catharine's Church	10.30am - 2.30pm EH51 9AZ
Galashiels	Saturday 24th June St Peter's Church	10.30am - 3.00pm TD1 3HS
Haddington	Saturday 1st July Trinity Centre	10.30am - 2.30pm EH41 3EX
Edinburgh	Saturday 2nd Sept. St Peter's, Lutton Place	10.30am - 2.30pm EH8 9PE

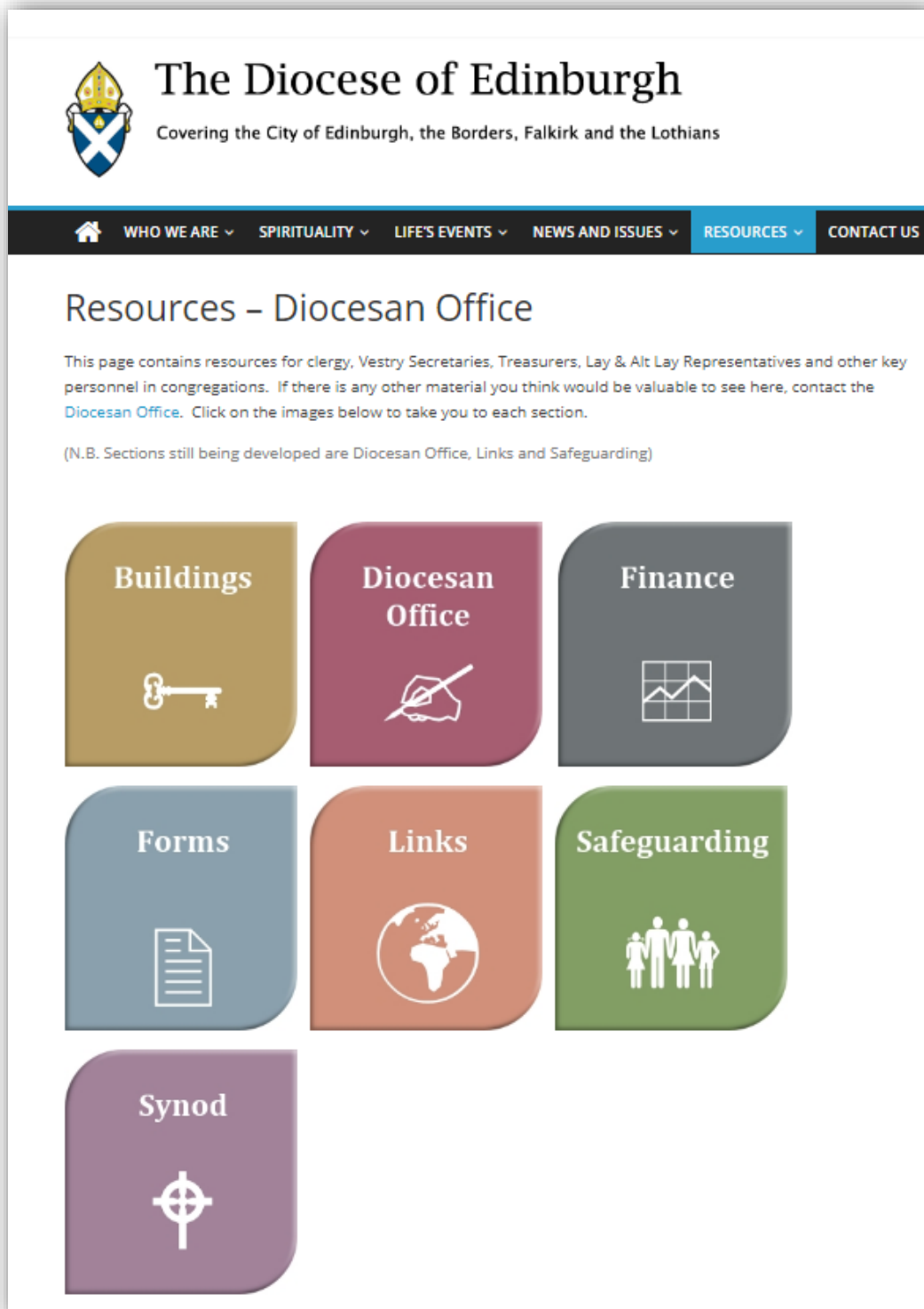
To book a place, or for more details contact:
Edinburgh Diocesan Office
0131 538 7033
growingtogether@dioceseofedinburgh.org



NEW DIOCESAN WEB PAGE

A new page has been developed by the office, to bring together all the administrative and governance resources into one place. More material will gradually be added, but we hope that this will become an easily-navigable place for you to find as much information as possible, without having to ring or email the office – though we are still very happy to speak to you! We just want to save you time, and make things more convenient for you. Have a browse under **"RESOURCES"** on the front page menu, or via:

<http://edinburgh.anglican.org/resources-diocesan-office/>



The screenshot shows the website for The Diocese of Edinburgh. At the top is the diocesan crest, a shield with a cross and a crown. To the right of the crest is the title "The Diocese of Edinburgh" and the subtitle "Covering the City of Edinburgh, the Borders, Falkirk and the Lothians". Below this is a dark navigation bar with white text and dropdown arrows for: WHO WE ARE, SPIRITUALITY, LIFE'S EVENTS, NEWS AND ISSUES, RESOURCES (highlighted in blue), and CONTACT US. The main content area is titled "Resources – Diocesan Office". Below the title is a paragraph: "This page contains resources for clergy, Vestry Secretaries, Treasurers, Lay & Alt Lay Representatives and other key personnel in congregations. If there is any other material you think would be valuable to see here, contact the [Diocesan Office](#). Click on the images below to take you to each section." Below this paragraph is a note in parentheses: "(N.B. Sections still being developed are Diocesan Office, Links and Safeguarding)". The page features seven large, rounded rectangular buttons with icons and text: "Buildings" (key icon), "Diocesan Office" (quill pen icon), "Finance" (line graph icon), "Forms" (document icon), "Links" (globe icon), "Safeguarding" (family icon), and "Synod" (cross icon).

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Historic Religious Buildings Alliance

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MAJOR CHANGE TO HLF's GRANT SCHEMES

UPDATE 18 July 2017

BACKGROUND

1. As you will know from our previous emails, the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) is closing the Grants for Places of Worship (GPOW) scheme, after the final round of GPOW applications very soon. After the end of this year there will be no ring-fenced money from HLF for major repairs to churches and other places of worship.

This email deals with two quite distinct issues - one or both (or neither) may interest you.

A. Obtaining a grant - practical update (lengthy, but we hope useful)

B. Responses to HLF's decision - update (short)

A. OBTAINING A GRANT - PRACTICAL UPDATE

Background

2. As you probably know, grants will be awarded through two existing HLF schemes, which are open now to applications from places of worship. The schemes are called 'Our Heritage' and 'Heritage Grants'. In these two schemes, places of worship (which need not be listed) will be in competition with other types of applicant. You can find details on the HLF website, for example for England at www.hlf.org.uk/looking-funding/our-grant-programmes/grants-places-worship-england

Meeting

3. As we mentioned in our May update, in late June we organised a meeting between HLF and some of our members, to understand how the new arrangements will work in practice. We report here on four practical points.

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How far down the road before applying

4. We asked how far down the road a place of worship needed to be before applying for a Our Heritage grant (up to £100k). One of our members had been told that if work to the fabric was involved, it was normal to be at RIBA Stage 3 when applying. Unfortunately at the meeting HLF were not willing to commit to this position, and were not able to give guidance on the matter. Our advice is that if you think you may wish to apply for a Our Heritage grant for work to the fabric, **ask your local HLF team at what RIBA stage your**

entire plan of work and need for upfront funding and obtaining permissions. A list of the HLF teams is on our website www.hrballiance.org.uk/consultations-2/hlf-closure-of-gpow/

Proportionality of non-heritage outcomes

5. At our meeting, we were pleased that HLF stated unequivocally that **the non-heritage outcomes for a grant are expected to be proportional to the scale of the grant being sought**. (A non-heritage outcome might, for example, be 'people have learnt about heritage'.) Everything else being equal, smaller grants require less in the way of non-heritage outcomes. As this is nowhere stated in the 'Application Guidance' documents produced for the various HLF grant programmes, we were delighted to hear this.

Note: since our meeting, HLF have put up a link to a blog written about Cathedrals roughly a year ago, which makes this point helpfully and clearly about cathedrals. In providing the link, HLF explain that it applies also to smaller places of worship. Go to <https://www.hlf.org.uk/looking-funding/what-we-fund/buildings-and-monuments/places-worship> and scroll down until you find Questions, and click on 'Caring for Divine Heritage'. We think you should read this blog alongside the other relevant material on the HLF website and the Application Guidance for the scheme of your choice.

Comparison with other organisations

6. At our meeting, we were also pleased that HLF stated that **they took in to account the nature of the organisations involved when comparing one grant applicant with another**. For example, a place of worship offering a 'people have learnt about heritage' outcome would be judged less onerously than a museum offering the same type of outcome, because the museum exists for this very purpose. This is nowhere stated in the 'Application Guidance' documents produced for the various HLF grant programmes, so we were pleased to hear this.

Systematic decision making

7. At our meeting, we understood from HLF that there is no internal guidance as to how their members of staff should assess Our Heritage grant applications or the smaller Heritage Grant applications. We were told that the only guidance used by grant officers is the 'Application Guidance' documents for the various schemes. We were told that HLF relied entirely on the experience and training of their grants officers, and their networking with each other, to ensure equivalence of treatment of applicants, and to compare one application with another.

8. Places of worship will soon be applying for the first time in some quantity to the general grant schemes, rather than a dedicated scheme. Given the above, we are concerned, therefore, that places of worship will receive different treatment from different HLF offices - to take just one example, what RIBA stage is required to apply for a Our Heritage grant. In the future it may be sensible to put some systematic monitoring in place regarding this potential issue, but for the time being **we would like to hear of your experiences**.

B. RESPONSES TO HLF's DECISION - UPDATE

9. Two **articles** on the closure of GPOW have recently appeared. In addition, both **Archbishop Stack of the Roman Catholic Church and the Church Buildings Council of the Church of England have made statements** criticising the decision by HLF to close GPOW. The latter statement also suggests ways in which the changes made by HLF might be mitigated, and **asks for comments**.

10. This material is on our website at www.hrballiance.org.uk/consultations-2/hlf-closure-of-gpow/

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We will keep you posted on this as and when there is something new to say.

Regards

VACANCIES

Director for Theological Education

Anglican Communion Office

The Anglican Communion Office, based in London is the permanent Secretariat for the Instruments of Communion of the worldwide Anglican Communion. We are seeking to appoint a Director for TEAC (Theological Education across the Anglican Communion) based in London, to help build capacity for the delivery of good quality theological education for the whole people of God across the Anglican Communion. This is a five year project.

Major responsibilities include:

- to develop existing networks through facilitating regional consultations for theological educators;
- to develop existing networks through facilitating tri-annual conferences for Anglican leaders in theological institutions;
- to develop on line and web based networks for the sharing of information and learning resources and manage the existing relevant sections of the Anglican Communion Office website;
- to coordinate the dissemination and sharing of resources for catechesis and the nurture of the whole people of God in their discipleship in the world;
- to coordinate the development of The Anglican Way Signpost series;
- support the work across the Communion on hermeneutics and the development of the materials produced by the Bible in the Life of the Church initiative;
- to oversee the translation of resources into languages of the Anglican Communion beyond English;
- to develop a shared vision for theological education and to encourage a culture of teaching and learning.

It is desirable the successful candidate will:

- have had their work published;
- have an understanding of virtual learning and technology enhanced learning;
- have an awareness of the publishing/editing world in both the North and global South including digital and e-publishing.



The successful candidate will:

- have an understanding of the ecclesiology of the Anglican Communion;
- have extensive experience in theological education at all levels in the Anglican Communion and of working globally and cross-culturally at a senior level. Experience of working in Africa, South America or Asia is particularly desirable;
- have working experience of different approaches to adult education as well as current challenges facing the Church in the area of Christian education;
- have a graduate qualification in theology; an earned doctorate in theology is preferred;
- be able to engage with and have experience of working collaboratively with people from a range of backgrounds and nationalities;
- be able to work independently including the ability to start and successfully complete a major project;
- be confident in working with web-based materials and in the use of IT tools;
- have the ability to communicate ideas through both the written and spoken word and to build capacity in others.

The application should include a CV a covering letter and the names of at least three referees.

This senior position will be remunerated at £50k to £55k per annum plus benefits; reasonable relocation expenses may be paid.

The last day for applications is 10 August 2017; interviews are likely to take place on 16 August by conference call and second interviews on 29 September in London.

Further information is available on our website

<http://www.anglicancommunion.org/structures/secretariat/vacancies.aspx>

Applications should be sent to: applications@anglicancommunion.org

EVENTS

The second Annual Scottish Episcopal Institute Lecture will be delivered by the Revd Canon Professor David Jasper DD FRSA FRSE, Professor of Literature and Theology, University of Glasgow.

'The Role of the Arts in the Church of Tomorrow'

We live in a rapidly changing world to which the Church, as an institution, often finds it hard to adapt. But even in a world that often seems driven by economic and material factors, the arts remain a powerful agent to help us understand and address changes in our culture and society. The Christian Church has always had a creative, if sometimes uneasy, relationship with poetry, literature, the visual arts and music, and we need to nurture and care for this relationship in the future as part of our intelligent and prayerful mission in the world.

Thursday 26th October 2017

Memorial Chapel, University of Glasgow

5.30pm Lecture followed by refreshments.

**ST. ANDREWS AND EDINBURGH
ARCHDIOCESAN ECUMENICAL CORE GROUP**

Invites you to an evening meeting
at St. Patricks in the Cowgate in Edinburgh,
on Tuesday August 15th at 7.30pm for 8.00pm.

This year, 2017, is an important anniversary of the
Reformation so our evening will focus on:

"The Reformation from the Catholic Perspective"

The guest speaker will be the writer and broadcaster
and former editor of the Catholic Herald

Peter Stanford

who has recently published a new work on Luther.
Copies of this new book will be available for sale at our
meeting.

All most welcome.

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Haddington

Saturday 1st July
Trinity Centre

10.30am - 2.30pm
EH41 3EX

Edinburgh

Saturday 2nd Sept.
St Peter's, Lutton Place

10.30am - 2.30pm
EH8 9PE

To book a place, or for more details contact:

Edinburgh Diocesan Office

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ENDING YOUTH HOMELESSNESS THROUGH COMMUNITY HOSTING



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You can watch the documentary on All4 now, on www.channel4.com/programmes/would-you-take-in-a-stranger

The Nightstop Edinburgh service, run by the Rock Trust, aims to provide young people aged 16-25 with emergency accommodation in the homes of trained volunteer hosts. The stay will usually be for a few nights but may, depending on the circumstances, be extended for up to two weeks.

Nightstop will place the young person in a safe, family environment and work with them within our Compass project to explore the best possible options for short and long term accommodation, as well as any other support needs.

If you feel that you have space and time to become a host please contact Nightstop Development Worker Matthew Eastwood on 0131 557 4059 or 07970412595 or email matthew.eastwood@rocktrust.org to discuss your interest further

www.rocktrust.org/Nightstop

QUO VADIS, ECCLESIA?

Five centuries since the Protestant Reformation.
Five decades since Vatican II. Now what?

6PM EVENSONG AND DISCUSSION
ST JOHN'S CHURCH

St John's
Festival
Pulpit

Princes Street/Lothian Road Junction. All are welcome.

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THERE IS MORE TO PUBLIC THEOLOGY THAN NAILING 95 THESES TO A DOOR

The Church, society and the state
The Rt Revd Dr Heinrich Bedford-Strohm
Lutheran Bishop of Bavaria, EKD-Ratsvorsitzender

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THERE IS MORE TO THE MEDIEVAL CHURCH THAN INDULGENCES

Roman Catholic reform and the 16th century
Dr Paul Parvis
Lecturer at New College, University of Edinburgh

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THERE IS MORE TO REFORMING THAN TABLE TALK

On-going reformation as a challenge and opportunity
The Rt Revd Dr Derek Browning
Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland

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THERE IS MORE TO RELIGION THAN THE CHURCH

Non-Christian hopes and expectations in a diverse society
Prof Mona Siddiqui OBE
Professor of Islamic and Interreligious Studies, University of Edinburgh



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Phil Porter is co-founder of InterPlay. He has worked at the intersection of art and church for over 40 years and is currently Minister of Art &

Communication at First Church Berkeley (CA) UCC, USA. Phil is also leading a full weekend in Edinburgh, 'The Secrets of InterPlay', 29 September - 1 October. More info: mairi@mairicampbell.scot or www.facebook.com/InterplayScotland



Evening Taster Session

InterPlay is coming to Edinburgh with co-founder Phil Porter!

Wednesday 27 September 7 - 9.30pm

St Philip's Church, Logie Green Road,
Canonmills, Edinburgh

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