



The Church of Scotland
Presbytery of Edinburgh

**BASIS OF REVIEWABLE CHARGE
EDINBURGH: ST ANDREW'S AND ST GEORGE'S WEST**

By decision of the Presbytery of Edinburgh the congregation of St Andrew's and St George's West Church of Scotland, Edinburgh (SC008990) shall continue on a Basis of Reviewable Charge, and that on the following conditions:

- 1) Rev Ian Gilmour will remain minister of the charge;
- 2) The Presbytery shall review the position in May 2025.
- 3) At the review the Presbytery shall consider with the Kirk Session:
 - a) i) whether the life of the congregation exhibits the five purposes of the church, i.e. worship, service, discipleship, fellowship and evangelism and whether these are in a healthy balance;
 - ii) the progress made in the Albany Deaf Church Presbytery Mission Initiative;
 - b) the progress made in the work of Edinburgh City Centre Churches Together;
 - c) the development of a close working partnership with St Cuthbert's;
 - d) working in partnership with the Presbytery to explore the future life of the City Centre Churches;
 - e) such other matters as may be relevant by that time.
- 4) Following such review, the Presbytery shall take a further decision on the future arrangements for ministry to the congregation and parish of St Andrew's and St George's West, having regard also to the Albany Deaf Church Presbytery Mission Initiative, recognising that one of the options available to it is the termination of the tenure of the minister on giving him or her six months' notice in writing.
- 5) The minister shall be free to seek to demit or to be translated as in the ordinary case of any minister inducted to a charge, provided that, if this reviewable tenure is his or her first charge, the Presbytery hereby agree that these conditions constitute exceptional circumstances in terms of Section 4 of Act VIII 2003, and will accordingly issue the necessary Certificate if he or she seeks to be translated within seven years.