Conservation Plan

- This provides detailed wording taken from the list description;

- Indicates that all inscriptions and sculpted stones inside the church will be retained.

- Confirms that although the walls will be insulated in line with current building standards regulations, the insulation will stop short of the various stone/ marble works;

- The pulpit will remain in original position, although it has been moved at present to repair rotted wood at rear and allow the removal of the plaster on the wall;

- Doric columns will be repaired where necessary, namely the tops which are rotten due to water ingress;

- Windows - all are rotted. Proposal is to replace like for like, reincorporating the stainedglass panels, these being repaired as required. Likewise the external doors are in poor condition and suggestion is to replace like for like.

- Outside walls, east gable - harling is in poor condition and intention to remove and repoint stonework as per original. All other walls will be repointed, and stonework cleaned where appropriate.

- Bellcote, although not been critically examined will be checked over and if any structural repairs, these will be carried out by a master craftsman.

- It should be noted that the north facing roof has been repaired where there was water ingress and the roof has had sarking replaced and scotch slates reinstated previously;

- Floor - The wooden floor was rotted due to the water ingress over the years, this has mostly been lifted and removed to expose original flagstone floor. It is intended to remove flags, install underfloor heating and reinstate the flags as per original.

Design Statement

- All work to be carried out sympathetically and joinery work to be carried out by a craftsman known to Historic Scotland;

- Soakaway – SEPA has been notified, visited the site and percolation tests carried out. Structural engineer has advised that drainage is permissible;

- Additional Steelwork added;

- Should be noted that the intention is to convert very sympathetically with the existing building,

with all windows being of same design, open plan ground floor, internally use of existing doors and as much existing woodwork as possible.

- Heating will be by a gasification woodburning stove in utility area and assisted by an air source heat pump mounted off the wall beside the basement stairs.

Parking - the hearse shed will be kitted out to be a garage for one car.

- Materials - Douglas fir will be utilised as much as possible for windows etc, some of the old broken pews will be reused for finishing's where appropriate.

- Outside pointing and stone refurbishment will be carried out with lime mortar and as advised by Scottish lime school, Dunfermline.

Engineers Letter (dated 24/12/19)

- Confirmed the proposed disposal of foul effluent should not unduly affect the performance of the existing church foundations.

Site Investigation Report (dated March 2021)

- Indicates trail pits undertaken to determine the adequacy of the strata for the proposed development rainwater soakaway and wastewater treatment;

- Identifies site location and the results show that the ground has sufficient drainage for a soakaway to be effective in the location of Trial Pit 3;

- Test 3, located in Trial Pit #2 provided the lowest rate of porosity, this is likely due to a higher concentration of silt which created a more cohesive wet soil which slowed the rate of percolation;

- Water was not encountered during any excavations on site and should not cause any difficulties during excavation works;

- Soakaway to be placed within silty sand strata near Trial Pit #3.

Window Condition Report (dated 24/07/20)

- The timber windows and doors have been constructed in the traditional mortice and tenon jointed method with Ogee and Ovolo moulded detailing, the windows have a mixture of both single clear and coloured leaded glass, some of the windows have inward opening top sashes that have been made to keep the stile lines intact.

- Most of the windows are in poor condition showing signs of wet rot & insect damage.

- Although extensive repairs could bring the windows to proper working quite a few are beyond repair, therefore suggest fully replacing the windows and doors;

- Careful consideration for any replacement items will be given due to the historic status of the building.

- Replacement items would be made using traditional hand craft practices;

- Existing windows and doors to be used as templates to exactly replicate;

- Timbers to be machined to match the moulded profile detailing using Douglas Fir timber;

- Existing ironmongery retained and reused where possible;

- Leaded glass panels carefully removed/ cleaned repaired and re fitted into new windows

- Details other options to consider including - Secondary clear glazing to both offer protection to leaded glass and to improve thermal quality; Draught stripping to opening sashes; Forming a single low level opening sash in the large South facing windows.

Window Condition Report (dated 14/12/20)

- This provided a more detailed survey of each individual window identified on the drawing and requirements for works to these windows;

- Most windows need to be completely removed and replaced.

- The only windows that have no glass that was original are the 2 tall windows W3A & W3B careful consideration should be given to glass to be used;

- All due care would be taken to authentically replicate all aspects of the windows in both shape, dimension, materials used and method of construction;

It is important to retain any parts that are lying loose onsite for possible re-use;

- All leaded panels when removed would be logged, labelled and carefully stored for possible re-use;

- All original ironmongery would be retained for reuse.

The report numbers refer to window photos and survey drawing have been submitted to identify the windows.