

MEMBERSHIP OF THE DISTRICT LEADING TEAM

BACKGROUND

In March 2021, following the launch of the district's new Mission Strategy and the completion of a governance review, a new constitution of the District Leading Team (DLT) was agreed. This moved away from a structure that included representatives from Circuits and established a way of being that we hoped would encourage more people from across the District to offer to serve on the DLT and use their gifts to help us move forward with the various strands of the Mission Strategy.

Unfortunately, this has not proved to be the case and whilst we are grateful for those who have expressed an interest, we have still not been able to build the DLT that we had hoped.

CURRENT SITUATION

It was therefore agreed at the November 2022 DLT meeting that a last push on recruitment should be attempted, but when by January 2023 that had not borne fruit, it was agreed that a proposed change to the constitution of the DLT should be brought to the March DLT meeting.

PROPOSAL

The table set out at Appendix A is the proposal before us and the DLT is invited to consider whether this is an acceptable way forward or whether any further changes are required.

Chair of District	Revd Gill Newton
DLT Secretary	Katrin Hackett
Deputy Chair Of District	Revd Julie Coates
Synod Secretary	Revd Margaret Mwailu
Treasurer	Neil Harland
Methodist Council Representative	David Burton
Lay Stationing Representative	Gill Daly
EDI Officer	Erica Dunmow
LP/WL Officer	Revd Claire Rawlinson
Superintendent Minister	
Individual involved in a NPNP project / pioneer	
Worker with Children and Youth	
Young person	

It is important to note that we would not wish to lose any of those who currently serve on the DLT and would ensure an appropriate period of transition during which those who currently serve are enabled to complete their period of office, whilst others are drawn into the team.

None of the office holders listed above who do not currently form part of the team have been approached about this, but should the DLT approve this way forward, they will be approached ahead of the Synod where the final decision would be made.

RESOLUTION

- **The DLT approves the new constitution of the DLT and recommends that it comes into force in May 2023 following the decision of the Representative Synod.**