

MISSION COUNCIL 13 – 15 MAY 2013



Youth and Children's Work Committee – renaming the committee

As part of the restructuring of our work amongst children and young people at General Assembly level, the Youth and Children's Work Committee wishes to be known as the Children and Youth Work Committee.

Whilst this may seem an insignificant change in the whole restructuring of our department and therefore need not occupy much time at Mission Council, we bring the matter before Mission Council as we have been informed that a change of this nature requires the agreement of General Assembly.

General Assembly in 2008 changed the name of 'Youth and Children's Work Training and Development Officers' to 'Children and Youth Development Officers'. On reflection, we should have requested that our committee be renamed at the same General Assembly.

This resolution will bring the term 'children and youth' into wider usage, we hope to emphasise the importance of young people from 0-25. Furthermore, we aim for a more integrated approach, the removal of the old post titles (which linked people to specific age groups or organisations) indicates our desire to create a more interdisciplinary approach to this valuable area of mission and ministry.

Resolution

Mission Council, acting on behalf of General Assembly, resolves that the Youth and Children's Work Committee shall be known as the Children and Youth Work Committee, with immediate effect.

Robert Weston Convener, Youth and Children's Work Committee

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