

SOUTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Almada Street, Hamilton on 23 May 2007

Chair:

Provost Russell Clearie (after item 3)

Councillors Present:

Alex Allison, John Anderson, David Baillie, Eileen Baxendale, Walter Brogan, Archie Buchanan, Jackie Burns, John Cairney, Graeme Campbell, Andy Carmichael, Gordon Clark, Pam Clearie, Gerry Convery, Peter Craig, Maureen Devlin, Jim Docherty, Barry Douglas, Hugh Dunsmuir, Douglas Edwards, Allan Falconer, Lynn Filshie, Beith Forrest, Bev Gauld, Tommy Gilligan, Ian Gray, Jim Handibode, Anne Higgins, John Higgins, Bill Holman, Graeme Horne, Bobby Lawson, Eileen Logan, Joe Lowe, Anne Maggs, James Malloy, Archie Manson, Edward McAvoy, Brian McCaig, Michael McCann, Clare McColl, Lesley McDonald, Jim McGuigan, Alex McInnes, Brian McKenna, Denis McKenna, Jean McKeown, David McLachlan, John McNamee, Mary McNeill, Danny Meikle, Alice Marie Mitchell, Henry Mitchell, John Murray, Patrick Ross-Taylor, Graham Scott, David Shearer, Graham Simpson, Mary Smith, Hamish Stewart, George Sutherland, Chris Thompson, Bert Thomson, Jim Wardhaugh, Sheena Wardhaugh, David Watson, Pat Watters

Attending:

Chief Executive's Service

A Strang, Chief Executive

Community Resources

N Anderson, Executive Director

Corporate Resources

R McIlwain, Executive Director; R Lake, Administration Manager; S Somerville, Administration Adviser; D Wilson, Head of Administration Services

Education Resources

L Forde, Executive Director

Enterprise Resources

I Urquhart, Executive Director

Finance and Information Technology Resources

L Hardie, Executive Director

Housing and Technical Resources

J Hayton, Executive Director

Social Work Resources

H Stevenson, Executive Director

Interim Chair

In his capacity as Returning Officer for the Council elections held in South Lanarkshire, the Chief Executive acted as Chair for the meeting in accordance with Section 5(1) of Schedule 2 of the Local Government etc (Scotland) Act 1994, pending the election of a Provost of the Council.

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 Local Government Elections - 3 May 2007

A report dated 4 May 2007 by the Returning Officer was submitted on the results of the elections to South Lanarkshire Council on 3 May 2007. The results were as follows:-

Ward 1 (Clydesdale West)

Electorate - 14775 Percentage Poll – 52.36%

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
Alex Allison	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	984	Yes (7)
Ian Gray	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1948	Yes (1)
Eileen Logan	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	2549	Yes (1)
Robin Mawhinney	Scottish Christian Party "Proclaiming Christ's Lordship"	180	
Peter Meehan	Scottish Liberal Democrats	490	
Betty Rush	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	359	
David R Shearer	Scottish National Party (SNP)	925	Yes (7)
Ruth Thomas	Scottish Green Party	174	

Ballot Papers Rejected – 127

Total Votes Cast - 7736

Ward 2 (Clydesdale North)

Electorate - 11430 Percentage Poll – 52.66%

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
Thomas Davidson	Scottish Green Party	265	
Kenny Douglas	Scottish Liberal Democrats	841	
Mary McNeill	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1237	Yes (4)
Brian Reilly	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1019	
Patrick Ross-Taylor	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1090	Yes (6)
George Sutherland	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1468	Yes (2)

Ballot Papers Rejected – 99

Total Votes Cast - 6019

Ward 3 (Clydesdale East)

Electorate - 9907 Percentage Poll – 54.79%

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
Ralph Barker	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	832	
Tom Dalbindle	Independent	101	
Beith Forrest	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1204	Yes (5)
Bev Gauld	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1042	Yes (4)
Tom Mitchell	Scottish National Party (SNP)	824	
Hamish Stewart	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1048	Yes (7)
Ron Waddell	Scottish Liberal Democrats	305	

Ballot Papers Rejected – 72

Total Votes Cast - 5428

Ward 4 (Clydesdale South)**Electorate - 11359 Percentage Poll – 55.60%**

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
John Bailie	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	734	
Archie Manson	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1156	Yes (5)
Alex McInnes	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1245	Yes (5)
Billy McLean	Scottish Green Party	183	
Danny Meikle	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1709	Yes (1)
David Smart	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1148	

Ballot Papers Rejected – 141**Total Votes Cast - 6316****Ward 5 (Avondale and Stonehouse)****Electorate - 13144 Percentage Poll – 55.71%**

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
Nigel Benzies	Scottish Liberal Democrats	414	
Stuart Brown	Independent	238	
Graeme Campbell	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1384	Yes (2)
Lynn Filshie	Independent	797	Yes (8)
William Holman	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1989	Yes (1)
John Innes	Scottish Green Party	333	
James Malloy	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1071	Yes (8)
Ian McInnes	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	788	
Frank Reilly	Independent	198	

Ballot Papers Rejected – 110**Total Votes Cast - 7322****Ward 6 (East Kilbride South)****Electorate - 11701 Percentage Poll – 49.48%**

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
Gillian Alexander	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	356	
Archie Buchanan	Scottish National Party (SNP)	2431	Yes (1)
Drew Campbell	Scottish Green Party	167	
Jim Docherty	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1900	Yes (1)
Douglas Edwards	Scottish National Party (SNP)	294	Yes (8)
Lynsey McGregor	Scottish Socialist Party	63	
Colin McKay	East Kilbride Alliance	358	
John Park	Solidarity – Tommy Sheridan	129	

Ballot Papers Rejected – 92**Total Votes Cast - 5790**

Ward 7 (East Kilbride Central South)
Electorate - 11524 Percentage Poll – 54.83%

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
John Anderson	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1970	Yes (1)
Iain Cameron	East Kilbride Alliance	309	
Alison Campbell	Scottish Green Party	254	
Gerry Convery	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1692	Yes (1)
Colin Linskey	Scottish Liberal Democrats	316	
Mark Sands	Scottish Socialist Party	150	
Anne Stewart	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	383	
Pat Watters	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1089	Yes (8)

Ballot Papers Rejected – 156

Total Votes Cast - 6319

Ward 8 (East Kilbride Central North)
Electorate - 14310 Percentage Poll – 56.99%

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
Raymond Burke	Scottish Green Party	500	
Tim Gingell	East Kilbride Alliance	169	
Clare Keane	East Kilbride Alliance	227	
Anne Maggs	Scottish National Party (SNP)	2248	Yes (1)
Alice Marie Mitchell	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1899	Yes (1)
Catherine Pedersen	Scottish Socialist Party	130	
Isabel Perratt	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	545	
Gordon Smith	Scottish Liberal Democrats	446	
Christopher Thompson	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1229	Yes (7)
Sheena Wardhaugh	Scottish National Party (SNP)	538	Yes (10)

Ballot Papers Rejected – 224

Total Votes Cast - 8155

Ward 9 (East Kilbride West)
Electorate - 10938 Percentage Poll – 56.73%

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
Pauline Aaron	Scottish Liberal Democrats	437	
Brian Jones	East Kilbride Alliance	259	
Kitty MacKenzie	Scottish Green Party	232	
Michael McCann	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1805	Yes (1)
Margaret McCulloch	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	688	
Graham Simpson	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	860	Yes (7)
David Watson	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1861	Yes (1)

Ballot Papers Rejected – 63

Total Votes Cast - 6205

Ward 10 (East Kilbride East)**Electorate - 9765****Percentage Poll – 54.62%**

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
John Cairney	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1414	Yes (1)
John Doyle	Independent	122	
Ian Harrow	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	493	
Richard Naismith	East Kilbride Alliance	189	
Graham Scott	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	639	Yes (8)
Jim Wardhaugh	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1896	Yes (1)
Mark Watson	Scottish Liberal Democrats	271	
Andrew Williamson	Scottish Green Party	210	

Ballot Papers Rejected – 99**Total Votes Cast - 5333****Ward 11 (Rutherglen South)****Electorate - 11376****Percentage Poll – 55.77%**

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
Eileen Baxendale	Scottish Liberal Democrats	1077	Yes (7)
Danny Campbell	Scottish Liberal Democrats	506	
Michael A Haigh	Scottish Unionist, Proudly Scottish, Proudly British	135	
Anne Higgins	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1045	Yes (10)
Brian McCutcheon	Independent	285	
Brian McKenna	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1534	Yes (3)
Jean Miller	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	529	
Patricia Osborne	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	846	
John Patrick	Scottish Socialist Party – Scrap Council Tax	106	
Michael Tobin	Scottish Green Party	150	

Ballot Papers Rejected – 131**Total Votes Cast - 6344****Ward 12 (Rutherglen Central and North)****Electorate - 10867****Percentage Poll – 49.15%**

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
Gordon Clark	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1198	Yes (5)
Janette Little	Scottish Liberal Democrats	666	
Susan Martin	Scottish Green Party	176	
Edward McAvoy	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1833	Yes (1)
Denis McKenna	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	786	Yes (8)
Jim Nixon	Scottish Unionist, Proudly Scottish, Proudly British	157	
Ian Raeburn	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	283	
John Starrs	Scottish Socialist Party – Scrap Council Tax	126	

Ballot Papers Rejected – 116

Total Votes Cast - 5341

Ward 13 (Cambuslang West)

Electorate - 11591 Percentage Poll – 53.68%

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
David Baillie	Scottish Liberal Democrats	1191	Yes (5)
Russell Clearie	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1253	Yes (7)
Malcolm Macaskill	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	772	
David McClemont	Scottish Socialist Party – Scrap Council Tax	130	
Clare McColl	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1209	Yes (7)
John McGuinness	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1225	
Jimi Moore	Scottish Unionist, Proudly Scottish, Proudly British	154	
Christian Schmidt	Scottish Green Party	187	

Ballot Papers Rejected – 101

Total Votes Cast - 6222

Ward 14 (Cambuslang East)

Electorate - 10394 Percentage Poll – 46.87%

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
Walter Brogan	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1544	Yes (1)
Louise Ann Campbell	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	423	
Pam Clearie	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	859	Yes (4)
John Higgins	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1120	Yes (4)
Tunweer Malik	Scottish Liberal Democrats	684	
David Stevenson	Scottish Socialist Party – Scrap Council Tax	137	

Ballot Papers Rejected – 105

Total Votes Cast - 4872

Ward 15 (Blantyre)

Electorate - 13782 Percentage Poll – 48.02%

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
Hugh Dunsmuir	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1586	Yes (1)
Jim Handibode	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1121	Yes (2)
Michael T McGlynn	Independent	748	
John McNamee	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1253	Yes (6)
Morag Redpath	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	327	
Bert Thomson	Independent	1365	Yes (1)
Gavin Wallace	Independent	52	

Ballot Papers Rejected – 166

Total Votes Cast - 6618

Ward 16 (Bothwell and Uddingston)
Electorate - 9788 Percentage Poll – 55.83%

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
Maureen Devlin	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1292	Yes (4)
Douglas Herbison	Scottish Liberal Democrats	477	
James McGuigan	Scottish National Party (SNP)	998	Yes (7)
Henry Mitchell	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	1615	Yes (1)
Pat Morgan	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	696	
Denis Reilly	Solidarity – Tommy Sheridan	132	
Kenneth Robb	Scottish Green Party	168	

Ballot Papers Rejected – 87

Total Votes Cast - 5465

Ward 17 (Hamilton North and East)
Electorate - 12084 Percentage Poll – 48.04%

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
Hugh Clements	Independent	190	
Barry Douglas	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1769	Yes (1)
Andrew Leitch	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	917	
David McLachlan	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1335	Yes (4)
Mary Smith	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1221	Yes (6)
James Ward	Independent	214	

Ballot Papers Rejected – 159

Total Votes Cast - 5805

Ward 18 (Hamilton West and Earnock)
Electorate - 13749 Percentage Poll – 46.90%

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
John Anderson	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	606	
Allan Falconer	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1670	Yes (1)
Tommy Gilligan	Independent	1433	Yes (1)
Scot Graham	Scottish Green Party	167	
Graeme Horne	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1591	Yes (1)
Gordon McGovern	Scottish Socialist Party	124	
Jean McKeown	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	743	Yes (7)

Ballot Papers Rejected – 114

Total Votes Cast - 6448

Ward 19 (Hamilton South)**Electorate - 15037 Percentage Poll – 51.02%**

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
John Carracher	Independent	464	
David Holland	Independent	215	
Bobby Lawson	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1791	Yes (1)
Joe Lowe	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	2626	Yes (1)
Denize McBride	Scottish Green Party	188	
Brian McCaig	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	1005	Yes (2)
John Murray	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	808	Yes (8)
John Oswald	Scottish Liberal Democrats	427	

Ballot Papers Rejected – 148**Total Votes Cast - 7672****Ward 20 (Larkhall)****Electorate - 14934 Percentage Poll – 48.70%**

Candidate	Party	No of first preferences	Elected (stage no)
Jackie Burns	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	2699	Yes (1)
Gregor Cameron	Scottish Conservative and Unionist	563	
Andy Carmichael	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	366	Yes (7)
Peter Craig	Scottish National Party (SNP)	1264	Yes (4)
Robin Cunningham	Scottish Labour Party Candidate	502	
Callan Dick	Scottish Liberal Democrats	349	
Mary Duckett	Scottish Unionist, Proudly Scottish, Proudly British	466	
Lesley McDonald	Scottish National Party (SNP)	890	Yes (7)

Ballot Papers Rejected – 174**Total Votes Cast - 7273****The Council decided:** that the report be noted.

The Returning Officer congratulated all those elected as members to South Lanarkshire Council Councillor Watson extended his thanks to all employees involved in the conduct of the count at the recent elections

3 Appointment of Provost

Councillor McAvoy, seconded by Councillor Docherty, moved that Councillor R Clearie be appointed as Provost. Councillor Watson, seconded by Councillor Horne, moved as an amendment that Councillor Forrest be appointed as Provost.

Councillor Forrest declined the nomination as Provost and the amendment was, therefore, withdrawn.

The Council decided: that Councillor R Clearie be appointed as Provost of the Council.

Provost's Remarks

The Provost intimated that it was an honour and privilege to serve as Provost for South Lanarkshire Council and thanked members for his appointment. He expressed his commitment to continue the good work of the previous 3 Provosts of the Council.

Councillor Watson extended best wishes to the Provost for his term of office

4 Appointment of Depute Provost

Councillor McAvoy, seconded by Councillor Docherty, moved that Councillor Forrest be appointed as Depute Provost of the Council. Councillor Watson, seconded by Councillor Horne, moved as an amendment that Councillor Maggs be appointed as Depute Provost of the Council. On a vote being taken by roll call, members voted as follows:-

Motion:

Alex Allison, David Baillie, Eileen Baxendale, Walter Brogan, Jackie Burns, John Cairney, Graeme Campbell, Andy Carmichael, Pam Clearie, Russell Clearie, Gerry Convery, Maureen Devlin, Jim Docherty, Hugh Dunsmuir, Allan Falconer, Beith Forrest, Jim Handibode, Eileen Logan, Joe Lowe, James Malloy, Edward McAvoy, Brian McCaig, Michael McCann, Alex McInnes, Brian McKenna, Denis McKenna, Jean McKeown, David McLachlan, Mary McNeill, Danny Meikle, Alice Marie Mitchell, Henry Mitchell, John Murray, Patrick Ross-Taylor, Graham Simpson, Graham Scott, Hamish Stewart, Mary Smith, Chris Thompson, Pat Watters

Amendment:

John Anderson, Archie Buchanan, Gordon Clark, Peter Craig, Barry Douglas, Douglas Edwards, Bev Gauld, Tommy Gilligan, Ian Gray, Anne Higgins, John Higgins, Bill Holman, Graeme Horne, Bobby Lawson, Anne Maggs, Archie Manson, Clare McColl, Lesley McDonald, Jim McGuigan, John McNamee, David Shearer, George Sutherland, Jim Wardhaugh, Sheena Wardhaugh, David Watson

Abstained:

Lynn Filshie, Bert Thomson

25 members voted for the amendment and 40 for the motion which was declared carried.

The Council decided: that Councillor Forrest be appointed as Depute Provost of the Council.

5 Appointment of Leader of the Council

Councillor Docherty, seconded by Councillor McCann, moved that Councillor McAvoy be appointed as Leader of the Council. Councillor Watson, seconded by Councillor Horne, moved as an amendment that Councillor Buchanan be appointed as Leader of the Council. On a vote being taken by roll call, members voted as follows:-

Motion:

Alex Allison, David Baillie, Eileen Baxendale, Walter Brogan, Jackie Burns, John Cairney, Andy Carmichael, Pam Clearie, Russell Clearie, Gerry Convery, Maureen Devlin, Jim Docherty, Hugh Dunsmuir, Allan Falconer, Beith Forrest, Jim Handibode, Eileen Logan, Joe Lowe, James Malloy, Edward McAvoy, Brian McCaig, Michael McCann, Alex McInnes, Brian McKenna, Denis McKenna, Jean McKeown, David McLachlan, Mary McNeill, Danny Meikle, Alice Marie Mitchell, Patrick Ross-Taylor, Graham Scott, Hamish Stewart, Mary Smith, Chris Thompson, Pat Watters

Amendment:

John Anderson, Archie Buchanan, Gordon Clark, Peter Craig, Barry Douglas, Douglas Edwards, Bev Gauld, Ian Gray, Anne Higgins, John Higgins, Bill Holman, Graeme Horne, Bobby Lawson, Anne Maggs, Archie Manson, Clare McColl, Lesley McDonald, Jim McGuigan, John McNamee, David Shearer, George Sutherland, Jim Wardhaugh, Sheena Wardhaugh, David Watson

Abstained:

Graeme Campbell, Lynn Filshie, Tommy Gilligan, Henry Mitchell, John Murray, Graham Simpson, Bert Thomson

24 members voted for the amendment and 36 for the motion which was declared carried.

The Council decided: that Councillor McAvoy be appointed as Leader of the Council.

6 Appointment of Deputy Leader of the Council

Councillor McAvoy, seconded by Councillor Docherty, moved that Councillor McCann be appointed as Deputy Leader of the Council. Councillor Watson, seconded by Councillor Horne, moved as an amendment that Councillor Maggs be appointed as Deputy Leader of the Council. On a vote being taken by roll call, members voted as follows:-

Motion:

Alex Allison, David Baillie, Eileen Baxendale, Walter Brogan, Jackie Burns, John Cairney, Andy Carmichael, Pam Clearie, Russell Clearie, Gerry Convery, Maureen Devlin, Jim Docherty, Hugh Dunsmuir, Allan Falconer, Beith Forrest, Jim Handibode, Eileen Logan, Joe Lowe, James Malloy, Edward McAvoy, Brian McCaig, Michael McCann, Alex McInnes, Brian McKenna, Denis McKenna, Jean McKeown, David McLachlan, Mary McNeill, Danny Meikle, Alice Marie Mitchell, Patrick Ross-Taylor, Graham Scott, Hamish Stewart, Mary Smith, Chris Thompson, Pat Watters

Amendment:

John Anderson, Archie Buchanan, Gordon Clark, Peter Craig, Barry Douglas, Douglas Edwards, Bev Gault, Ian Gray, Anne Higgins, John Higgins, Bill Holman, Graeme Horne, Bobby Lawson, Anne Maggs, Archie Manson, Clare McColl, Lesley McDonald, Jim McGuigan, John McNamee, David Shearer, George Sutherland, Jim Wardhaugh, Sheena Wardhaugh, David Watson

Abstained:

Graeme Campbell, Lynn Filshie, Tommy Gilligan, Henry Mitchell, John Murray, Graham Simpson, Bert Thomson

24 members voted for the amendment and 36 for the motion which was declared carried.

The Council decided: that Councillor McCann be appointed as Deputy Leader of the Council.

7 Establishment of Council's Decision Making Arrangements and Procedures

A report dated 16 May 2007 by the Chief Executive was submitted on the Council's decision making arrangements, procedures and documentation. Details were provided on the proposed:-

- ◆ amendments to the Standing Orders on Procedures, Standing Orders on Contracts, the Scheme of Delegation and the Financial Regulations to reflect legislative requirements and organisational arrangements within the Council
- ◆ number of members on and composition of Committees and Member Forums
- ◆ Terms of Reference for the Council, its Committees and associated Forums
- ◆ revised committee cycle incorporating amendments to the recess periods and condensed cycle of meetings to run from 11 June 2007 to the summer recess
- ◆ representation on statutory bodies and other external organisations

- ◆ Member role profiles

In addition, consideration required to be given to:-

- ◆ the appointment of up to 19 positions of Senior Councillor
- ◆ nominations to the position of President or Vice President of the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA)
- ◆ delegation of authority to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the leaders of the political groups, to agree Forum memberships based on the membership numbers detailed in the Terms of Reference

Councillor McAvoy, seconded by Councillor Docherty, moved that the Chair and Depute Chair positions for the main Committees be as detailed in the paper tabled at the meeting. Councillor Watson, seconded by Councillor Horne, moved as an amendment that the Chair and Depute Chair positions be as detailed in their paper tabled at the meeting. On a vote being taken by a show of hands, 26 members voted for the amendment and 38 for the motion which was declared carried.

Councillor McAvoy, seconded by Councillor Docherty, moved that the Chair and Depute Chair positions for Area Committees be as detailed in the paper tabled at the meeting. Councillor Watson, seconded by Councillor Horne, moved as an amendment that the Chair and Depute Chair positions for Area Committees be agreed at the first meeting of the Area Committees. On a vote being taken by a show of hands, 30 members voted for the amendment and 37 for the motion which was declared carried.

Councillor McAvoy, seconded by Councillor Docherty, moved that Councillor Watters be nominated as President of COSLA. Councillor Watson, seconded by Councillor Horne, moved as an amendment that Councillor Watters be not nominated as President of COSLA. On a vote being taken by a show of hands, the majority voted for the motion which was declared carried.

The Council decided:

- (1) that the Standing Orders on Contracts, Scheme of Delegation and Financial Regulations be approved;
- (2) that the Standing Orders on Procedures be amended to reflect an increase in the number of ordinary Council meetings from 2 to 4 per year;
- (3) that the Standing Committees, as detailed in paragraph 2.1 of the report, be approved;
- (4) that the number of committee members and political composition, as detailed in Appendix 1 of the report, be approved subject to:-
 - .. the removal of the ex officio member on Area Committees
 - .. the Leader of the Council being an ex officio member with no voting rights on the Resource, Estates, Planning and Licensing Committees
 - .. consultation with the leaders of the political groups on the final membership/ composition of the Conference Allocation Committee
- (5) that the political groups advise Administration Services of their representation on Committees as soon as possible to allow membership of the Committees to be finalised;
- (6) that the following positions be approved:-

Committee

Chair

Depute Chair

Community Resources
Corporate Resources
Education Resources

Gerry Convery
Pat Watters
Mary Smith

Hamish Stewart
Denis McKenna
Alex Allison

Committee	Chair	Depute Chair
Enterprise Resources	Chris Thompson	John Murray
Finance and Information Technology Resources	Eileen Logan	James Malloy
Housing and Technical Resources	Alex McInnes	David Baillie
Social Work Resources	Jim Handibode	Eileen Baxendale
Cambuslang and Rutherglen Area	Brian McKenna	Walter Brogan
Clydesdale Area	Hamish Stewart	Alex Allison
East Kilbride Area	Alice Marie Mitchell	James Malloy
Hamilton Area	Jean McKeown	Hugh Dunsmuir
Estates Committee	Jim Docherty	Michael McCann
Licensing Committee	Mary McNeill	Bert Thomson
Plannning Committee	Graham Scott	Patrick Ross-Taylor
Executive Committee	Edward McAvoy	Michael McCann
Spokesperson on Youth (Regenfx)	Jackie Burns	

(7) that the 19 positions of Senior Councillor be as follows:-

Depute Leader
Depute Provost
Ruling Group Business Manager – Councillor Docherty
7 Resource Committee Chairs
4 Area Committee Chairs
Chair of Planning Committee
Chair of Licensing Committee
Leader of the Majority Opposition Group – Councillor Buchanan
Depute Leader of the Majority Opposition Group – Councillor Maggs
Business Manager of the Majority Opposition Group – Councillor Watson

(8) that the Member Forums, as detailed in paragraph 2.1 of the report, be approved and that authority be delegated to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the leaders of the political groups, to agree Forum memberships based on the membership numbers detailed in the Terms of Reference;

(9) that a further report be submitted to the Executive Committee on the establishment of a Standards and Procedures Forum;

(10) that the Terms of Reference be amended to reflect:-

- .. the increased frequency of Council meetings to 4 per year
- .. the increased frequency of Area Committee meetings to 2 times per 8 week cycle
- .. the outcomes of further consideration on the membership of the Conference Allocation Committee and the remit of Area Committees

- (11) that the condensed cycle of meetings to the summer recess, as detailed in Appendix 2 of the report, be approved subject to the removal of the first Executive Committee scheduled for 20 June 2007;
- (12) that the cycle of meetings following the summer recess, as detailed in Appendix 2 of the report, be adjusted to accommodate 2 meetings of the Area Committees in each cycle;
- (13) that the additional recess periods at Easter and October and extended summer recess period be approved;
- (14) that the following member nominations to Outside Bodies be approved with substitute member places to be allocated to opposition groups:-

Outside Bodies

Board of Strathclyde Fire and Rescue

Strathclyde Police Board

Strathclyde Passenger for Transport

Lanarkshire Community Justice Authority

Lanarkshire NHS Board
Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board

Glasgow and Clyde Valley Structure Plan Joint Committee

Lanarkshire Valuation Joint Board

COSLA

Clyde Gateway Regeneration
South Lanarkshire Leisure Limited
Scottish Enterprise Lanarkshire
Strathclyde Concessionary Travel Scheme Joint Committee

Members

Joe Lowe, James Malloy, Pam Clearie, Denis McKenna

Allan Falconer, Brian McKenna, Andy Carmichael, Walter Brogan

David McLachlan, Eileen Logan, Chris Thompson

Brian McCaig, Maureen Devlin, Graham Scott

Edward McAvoy

Jim Handibode

Graham Scott, Chris Thompson

Hugh Dunsmuir, Alex McInnes, Alice Marie Mitchell, John Cairney plus 4 other members
Pat Watters, Edward McAvoy, Gerry Convery, Jim Docherty, Michael McCann, Archie Buchanan

Chris Thompson

Gerry Convery, Hamish Stewart

Chris Thompson, Graham Scott

Eileen Logan

- (15) that, following further consideration by the political group leaders, a report be submitted to the Executive Committee on the remaining membership places on Outside Bodies;
- (16) that Councillor Watters be nominated to the post of President of COSLA; and
- (17) that the Member role profiles, as detailed in Appendix 5 of the report, be approved.

8 Election of Members to Divisional Licensing Boards

A report dated 16 May 2007 by the Executive Director (Corporate Resources) was submitted on the election of members to the 4 Licensing Divisions within the South Lanarkshire area in terms of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 1976 and the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005. The legal rules on the composition and membership of Licensing Divisions under the Licensing Amendment (Scotland) Act 1996 were detailed.

A paper was tabled on the proposed composition of each Licensing Division. The number of members for each Division was agreed.

In response to a request by Councillor Watson that the composition of Licensing Divisions should reflect the political composition of the Licensing Division area, it was proposed that authority be delegated to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the leaders of the political groups, to determine the detail of the political composition and membership of the 4 Licensing Divisions.

The Council decided: that authority be delegated to the Chief Executive, in consultation with the leaders of the political groups, to determine the political composition and membership of the 4 Licensing Divisions.

9 Minutes of Meetings held prior to 3 May 2007

The minutes of meetings held prior to 3 May 2007 were submitted as follows:-

- ◆ South Lanarkshire Council held on 21 March 2007
- ◆ Appeals Panel held on 4 April 2007
- ◆ Licensing Committee held on 19 April 2007

The Council decided: that the minutes be noted.

10 Delegated Authority - Business Dealt with by the Chief Executive in the Period from 21 March 2007

A report dated 16 May 2007 by the Chief Executive was submitted on items of business dealt with by him under delegated authority in the period from 21 March 2007 to the first meeting of the new Council. Authority had been delegated to the Chief Executive by the Executive Committee at its meeting on 11 October 2006 to deal with items of business arising in that period. The items dealt with by the Chief Executive under that delegated authority were as follows:-

Community Resources

Date Approved

4 May 2007

Subject

International Children's Games 2011

Corporate Resources

Date Approved

25 April 2007

Subject

Twinning Grant Applications – Larkhall United Football Club and Claremont High School, East Kilbride

25 April 2007

Community Grant Applications

14 May 2007

Printing Section Volume Photocopying Contract

Education Resources

Date Approved

8 May 2007

Subject

Appointment of Suppliers of Loose Classroom Furniture for the Secondary Schools' Modernisation Programme

Enterprise Resources

Date Approved

10 May 2007

Subject

Planning Applications

16 May 2007

Depot Rationalisation – Proposed Resiting of Elvanfoot Winter Maintenance Facility

Finance and Information Technology Resources**Date Approved****Subject**

5 April 2007

IT Services Senior Management Structure (Joint report by Executive Directors (Finance and Information Technology Resources) and (Corporate Resources))

14 May 2007

Coalburn Miners' Welfare One Stop Shop

Social Work Resources**Date Approved****Subject**

16 April 2007

E-Tender Home Care/Housing Report – Older People's and Adults and Justice Services

10 May 2007

Monthly Licence and Lease Agreement of The Coalyard Tearoom, 1 Caledonian Road, Larkhall by Social Work Resources (Joint report by Executive Directors (Enterprise Resources), (Social Work Resources) and (Corporate Resources))

The Council decided:

that the items of business dealt with by the Chief Executive under delegated authority in the period from 21 March 2007 to the first meeting of the new Council following the elections be noted.

[Reference: Minutes of Executive Committee of 11 October 2006 (Paragraph 15)]

11 Urgent Business – Colonsay Field, East Kilbride and Covenanters Field, Bothwell

In terms of Standing Order No 4, the Provost allowed discussion on previous decisions taken by the Executive and Planning Committees in relation to Colonsay Field, East Kilbride and Covenanters Field, Bothwell.

The Council decided:

that a report be submitted to a special meeting of the Council on issues and implications arising from any revision to previous decisions in relation to Colonsay Field, East Kilbride and Covenanters Field, Bothwell.