



Report to:Executive CommitteeDate of Meeting:8 June 2011Report by:Executive Director (Corporate Resources)

Subject: Forum Memberships and Representation on the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities and Addiewell Prison Visiting Committee

1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- advise of notification received from the Business Manager of the Majority Opposition Group proposing nominations to the Financial Resources Scrutiny Forum and the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA)
- seek approval to amend one of the Council's elected member representatives on Addiewell Prison Visiting Committee

2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-
 - (1) that Councillor Bobby Lawson be confirmed as one of the Council's members on the Financial Resources Scrutiny Forum;
 - (2) that Councillor Jim McGuigan be confirmed as one of the Council's substitute representatives on the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA); and
 - (3) that Councillor Bert Thomson replace Councillor Bobby Lawson as one of the Council's representatives on Addiewell Prison Visiting Committee.

3. Background

- 3.1. Representation on a number of outside bodies has already been agreed by the Council and the Executive Committee. However, following the appointment of Councillor Gray as Depute Leader of the Majority Opposition Group, a number of amendments are now proposed.
- 3.2. A request was received to amend the Council's representation on Addiewell Prison Visiting Committee and it is proposed to take this opportunity to regularise the position regarding representation.

4. Amendments

- 4.1. Notification has now been received from the Business Manager of the Majority Opposition Group proposing:-
 - that Councillor Bobby Lawson be nominated as a member of the Financial Resources Scrutiny Forum

- that Councillor Jim McGuigan be nominated as one of the Council's substitute representatives on the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA)
- that Councillor Bert Thomson replace Councillor Bobby Lawson as one of the Council's elected member representatives on Addiewell Prison Visiting Committee

5. Employee Implications

5.1. There are no employee implications.

6. Financial Implications

6.1. There are no financial implications associated with the proposals contained in this report.

7. Other Implications

- 7.1. There are no risks to the Council in relation to the recommendations contained in this report.
- 7.2 There are no issues in terms of sustainability in relation to the recommendations contained in this report.

8. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 8.1. There was no requirement for an equality impact assessment to be undertaken in respect of the proposals contained in this report.
- 8.2. No formal consultation was required.

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Link(s) to Council Objectives/Improvement Themes/Values

- Fair and open
- Accountable, effective and efficient

Previous References

• Minutes of South Lanarkshire Council of 23 May 2007

List of Background Papers

None

Contact for Further Information

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