

## **Item: 9**

**Policy and Resources Committee: 26 November 2019.**

**Orkney Local Access Forum.**

**Report by Chief Executive.**

### **1. Purpose of Report**

To consider Council representation on the Orkney Local Access Forum.

### **2. Recommendations**

The Committee is invited to note:

#### **2.1.**

That, on 17 April 2018, the Policy and Resources Committee recommended:

- That the Council's representative on the Orkney Local Access Forum should be a member who was not currently a member of the Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- That Councillor Stephen Sankey be appointed as the Council's representative to the Orkney Local Access Forum.

#### **2.2.**

That, on 14 May 2019, Councillor Stephen Sankey was appointed as a member of the Development and Infrastructure Committee, resulting in a vacancy for the Council's representative on the Orkney Local Access Forum.

**It is recommended:**

#### **2.3.**

That the Committee appoint a representative to the Orkney Local Access Forum from the members listed in section 4.2 of this report.

#### **2.4.**

That the appointment should be for the remainder of the term of this Council, namely to May 2022.

### **3. Background**

#### **3.1.**

In April 2007, appointment of Councillors to external bodies ceased with the exception of the following:

- Organisations which are wholly owned by the Council.
- Organisations in which the Council has a majority financial interest.
- Statutory organisations or other bodies to which a Council appointment would be prudent.

### **3.2.**

Since 2007, the Council has made appointments to the Orkney Local Access Forum, with the most recent being in 2018.

### **3.3.**

On 17 April 2018, when reviewing the Council's representation on the Orkney Local Access Forum, the Policy and Resources Committee recommended:

- That the Council's representative on the Orkney Local Access Forum should be a member who was not currently a member of the Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- That Councillor Stephen Sankey be appointed as the Council's representative to the Orkney Local Access Forum.

## **4. Proposal**

### **4.1.**

In May 2019, as a result of the mid-term review of appointments, Councillor Sankey was appointed to the Development and Infrastructure Committee. Accordingly, a vacancy now exists for the Council representative on the Orkney Local Access Forum.

### **4.2.**

The following members are currently not members of the Development and Infrastructure Committee:

- Councillor Stephen G Clackson.
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie.
- Councillor Barbara Foulkes.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor John T Richards.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.
- Councillor Magnus O Thomson.
- Councillor Owen Tierney.

### **4.3.**

Accordingly, the Committee is invited to nominate one of the members from the list above.

#### **4.4.**

As this Council is for a five-year term, it is further proposed that this appointment should be for the remainder of the term of this Council, namely to May 2022.

### **5. Corporate Governance**

This report relates to governance processes and procedures and therefore does not directly support and contribute to improved outcomes for communities as outlined in the Council Plan and the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan.

### **6. Financial Implications**

There are not anticipated to be any significant financial consequences arising from the report recommendations.

### **7. Legal Aspects**

There are no legal implications arising directly from the report recommendations.

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