

Item: 6

Special General Meeting of the Council: 11 June 2020.

Orkney Ferries Limited – Nomination of Board Member.

Report by Chief Executive.

1. Purpose of Report

To consider making a nomination to a vacancy on the Board of Directors of Orkney Ferries Limited.

2. Recommendations

The Council is invited to note:

2.1.

That, following the death of Councillor Kevin F Woodbridge, a vacancy exists on the Board of Directors of Orkney Ferries Limited.

2.2.

That the appointment made to fill the vacancy on the Board of Directors of Orkney Ferries Limited, if accepted by the Board, will last for the remainder of the term of this Council, namely until May 2022.

It is recommended:

2.3.

That a nomination be made for the vacancy on the Board of Directors of Orkney Ferries Limited from the list of members at section 4.3 of this report.

3. Background

3.1.

Following the death of Councillor Kevin F Woodbridge, a vacancy exists on the Board of Directors of Orkney Ferries Limited.

3.2.

In terms of the Section 2.1.18 of the Scheme of Administration, appointment of Members of the Council to external bodies is a retained function of the Council. Nomination of a Member to the Board of Orkney Ferries Limited therefore falls within the remit of the Council. In terms of the constitutional arrangements, appointments to the Board of Orkney Ferries Limited last for the term of office.

3.3.

Council nominations are considered by the Board of Directors who ultimately make the appointment.

4. Board of Orkney Ferries Limited

4.1.

The Board of Directors of Orkney Ferries Limited comprises five directors appointed as follows:

- 1 representative of the North Isles.
- 1 representative of the South Isles.
- 1 representative of the Mainland of Orkney.
- 2 other Members of the Council with no geographical restriction.

4.2.

Existing membership is as follows:

- 1 representative of the North Isles – Councillor Stephen G Clackson.
- 1 representative of the South Isles – Councillor Magnus O Thomson.
- 1 representative of the Mainland of Orkney – Councillor Owen Tierney.
- 2 other Members of the Council with no geographical restriction:
 - Councillor Andrew Drever.
 - One vacancy.

4.3.

It is therefore recommended that one of the undernoted members be nominated to fill the vacancy on the Board of Directors of Orkney Ferries Limited:

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie.
- Councillor Norman Craigie.
- Councillor Robin W Crichton.
- Councillor David Dawson.
- Councillor Barbara Foulkes.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor J Harvey Johnston.
- Councillor Rachael A King.
- Councillor W Leslie Manson.
- Councillor John Richards.
- Councillor Stephen Sankey.
- Councillor John A R Scott.

- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.
- Councillor Graham L Sinclair.
- Councillor James W Stockan.
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.

5. Appointment

It is proposed that the nomination made to fill the vacancy on the Board of Directors of Orkney Ferries Limited, if accepted by the Board, should last for the remainder of the term of this Council, namely until May 2022.

6. Corporate Governance

This report relates to governance and procedural issues 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.

7. Financial Implications

There are no financial implications arising directly as a result of the recommendations of this report.

8. Legal Aspects

Members appointed to the Board of Orkney Ferries Limited should have regard to the Councillors' Code of Conduct, with particular reference to the provisions relating to registrations of interests and declarations of interests.

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