

Minute

Policy and Resources Committee

Tuesday, 14 May 2019, 14:15.

Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Place, Kirkwall.



Present

Councillors James W Stockan, W Leslie Manson, Stephen G Clackson, Alexander G Cowie, Norman R Craigie, Robin W Crichton, David Dawson, Andrew Drever, Steven B Heddle, J Harvey Johnston, Rachael A King, John T Richards, Stephen Sankey, John A R Scott, Gwenda M Shearer, Graham L Sinclair, Magnus O Thomson, Duncan A Tullock and Kevin F Woodbridge.

Clerk

- Karen Greaves, Head of Executive Support.

In Attendance

- Gavin Barr, Executive Director of Development and Infrastructure.
- Gillian Morrison, Executive Director of Corporate Services.
- Sally Shaw, Chief Officer/Executive Director, Orkney Health and Care.
- Wilfred Weir, Executive Director of Education, Leisure and Housing.
- Gareth Waterson, Head of Finance.
- Gavin Mitchell, Head of Legal Services.
- Hazel Flett, Senior Committees Officer.
- Angela Kingston, Committees Officer.
- Sandra Craigie, Committee Officer.

Observing

- Chloe Rosie, Modern Apprentice – Business Administration.

Apologies

- Councillor Barbara Foulkes.
- Councillor Owen Tierney.

Declarations of Interest

- No declarations of interest were intimated.

Chair

- Councillor James W Stockan, Leader.

1. Appointments to Sub-committee, Working Groups and Other Bodies

After consideration of a report by the Chief Executive, copies of which had been circulated, the Committee:

Noted:

1.1. Council policy on appointments and/or nominations to external bodies, as outlined in section 6 of the report by the Chief Executive.

1.2. The proposal that, as the term of this Council was five years, appointments made at this meeting should last for the remainder of the term of this Council, namely for three years until May 2022.

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

1.3. To rename working groups, confirm constitutional arrangements and thereafter make appointments and/or nominations, where required, to the various Sub-committees, working groups and other bodies, which fell within the remit of the Policy and Resources Committee.

1.4. That appointments and/or nominations made to the various Sub-committees, working groups and other bodies, referred to at paragraphs 2 to 26 below, should be for the remainder of the term of this Council, namely for three years to May 2022.

2. Asset Management Sub-committee

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers, that the following members be appointed to the Asset Management Sub-committee:

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Councillor Norman R Craigie.
- Councillor Robin W Crichton.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Graham L Sinclair.

3. Community Asset Transfer Review Sub-committee

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers, that the following members be appointed to the Community Asset Transfer Review Sub-committee:

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie.
- Councillor David Dawson.
- Councillor Barbara Foulkes.
- Councillor Rachael A King.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.
- Councillor Owen Tierney.
- Councillor Kevin F Woodbridge.

4. Human Resources Sub-committee

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers, that the following members be appointed to the Human Resources Sub-committee:

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Councillor Robin W Crichton.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor John T Richards.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.
- Councillor Graham L Sinclair.
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.

5. Investments Sub-committee

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers, that the following members be appointed to the Investments Sub-committee:

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor Rachael A King.
- Councillor Stephen Sankey.
- Councillor Graham L Sinclair.

6. Pension Fund Sub-committee

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers, that the following members be appointed to the Pension Fund Sub-committee:

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor Rachael A King.
- Councillor Stephen Sankey.
- Councillor Graham L Sinclair.

7. Police and Fire Sub-committee

The Committee noted:

7.1. That membership of the Police and Fire Sub-committee comprised seven members of the Council, to include one member from each of the six electoral wards.

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

7.2. That the following members be appointed to the Police and Fire Sub-committee:

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie – representing Kirkwall West and Orphir.
- Councillor David Dawson – representing Kirkwall East.
- Councillor Andrew Drever – representing East Mainland, South Ronaldsay and Burray.
- Councillor J Harvey Johnston – representing West Mainland.
- Councillor Magnus O Thomson – representing Stromness and South Isles.
- Councillor Kevin F Woodbridge – representing North Isles.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.

8. Staffing Appeals Sub-committee

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers, that the following members be appointed to the Staffing Appeals Sub-committee:

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Councillor Robin W Crichton.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor John T Richards.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.
- Councillor Graham L Sinclair.
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.

9. Joint Consultative Committee

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers, that the following members be appointed to the Joint Consultative Committee:

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Councillor David Dawson.
- Councillor John T Richards.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.

10. Agricultural Development Working Group

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers, that the Agricultural Development Working Group be disestablished.

11. Communications Strategy Member/Officer Working Group

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

11.1. That the Communications Strategy Member/Officer Working Group be renamed the Communications and Engagement Consultative Group.

11.2. That the following members be appointed to the Communications and Engagement Consultative Group:

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Councillor Robin W Crichton.
- Councillor Andrew Drever.
- Councillor Barbara Foulkes.
- Councillor J Harvey Johnston.
- Councillor Rachael A King.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Kevin F Woodbridge.

12. Constitutional Reform Member/Officer Working Group

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

12.1. That the Constitutional Reform Member/Officer Working Group be renamed the Constitutional Reform Consultative Group.

12.2. That the following members be appointed to the Constitutional Reform Consultative Group:

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Councillor Stephen G Clackson.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor Rachael A King.
- Councillor Stephen Sankey.
- Councillor Graham L Sinclair.
- Councillor Owen Tierney.

13. Digital Strategy Member/Officer Working Group

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

13.1. That the Digital Strategy Member/Officer Working Group be renamed the Digital Strategy Consultative Group.

13.2. That the following members be appointed to the Digital Strategy Consultative Group:

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Councillor Stephen G Clackson.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Kevin F Woodbridge.

14. Corporate Charging Member/Officer Working Group

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

14.1. That the Corporate Charging Member/Officer Working Group be renamed the Corporate Charging Consultative Group.

14.2. That the Chief Executive should submit a report, to the next meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee, reviewing the constitutional arrangements of the Corporate Charging Consultative Group.

15. Innovation Fund Member/Officer Working Group

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

15.1. That the Innovation Fund Member/Officer Working Group be renamed the Innovation Fund Consultative Group.

15.2. That appointments to the Innovation Fund Consultative Group be deferred, to the next meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee, following which the Vice Chairs of the Service Committees would be elected.

16. Procurement Member/Officer Working Group

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

16.1. That the Procurement Member/Officer Working Group be renamed the Procurement Consultative Group.

16.2. That the following members be appointed to the Procurement Consultative Group:

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie.
- Councillor David Dawson.
- Councillor Barbara Foulkes.
- Councillor J Harvey Johnston.
- Councillor Owen Tierney.
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.

17. Student Housing Working Group

Councillor James W Stockan, seconded by Councillor Robin W Crichton, moved that the constitutional arrangements for the Student Housing Working Group should remain unchanged.

Councillor Stephen G Clackson, seconded by Councillor John A R Scott, moved an amendment that the Chair or Vice Chair of the College Management Council Sub-committee, whichever was the Council appointment, be included in the constitutional arrangements for the Student Housing Working Group.

The result of a recorded vote was as follows:

For the Amendment:

Councillors Stephen G Clackson, Alexander G Cowie, Steven B Heddle, Rachael A King, John T Richards, Stephen Sankey, John A R Scott and Kevin F Woodbridge (8).

For the Motion:

Councillors Norman R Craigie, Robin W Crichton, David Dawson, Andrew Drever, J Harvey Johnston, W Leslie Manson, Gwenda M Shearer, James W Stockan, Magnus O Thomson and Duncan A Tullock (10).

Abstention:

Councillor Graham L Sinclair (1).

The motion was therefore carried.

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

17.1. That the constitutional arrangements for the Student Housing Working Group be confirmed as follows:

- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.

17.2. That, accordingly, the following members be appointed to the Student Housing Working Group:

- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee – Councillor Graham L Sinclair.
- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee – Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.

18. Single-Use Plastics Working Group

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers, that the following members be appointed to the Single-Use Plastics Working Group:

- Councillor David Dawson.
- Councillor Andrew Drever.
- Councillor Barbara Foulkes.
- Councillor W Leslie Manson.
- Councillor Stephen Sankey.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Owen Tierney.
- Councillor Kevin F Woodbridge.

19. Working Group on Twinning and Friendship

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers, that the following members be appointed to the Working Group on Twinning and Friendship:

- Convener – councillor J Harvey Johnston.
- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee – Councillor James W Stockan.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee – Councillor W Leslie Manson.
- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee – Councillor Graham L Sinclair.
- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee – Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.

20. World War 1 Commemorations Member/Officer Working Group

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers, that the World War 1 Commemorations Member/Officer Working Group be disestablished.

21. Change Programme Forum

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers, that the following members be appointed to the Change Programme Forum:

- Councillor Stephen G Clackson.
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie.
- Councillor Norman R Craigie.
- Councillor Robin W Crichton.
- Councillor David Dawson.
- Councillor Andrew Drever.
- Councillor Barbara Foulkes.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor J Harvey Johnston.
- Councillor Rachael A King.
- Councillor W Leslie Manson.
- Councillor John T Richards.
- Councillor Stephen Sankey.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.
- Councillor Graham L Sinclair.
- Councillor James W Stockan.
- Councillor Magnus O Thomson.
- Councillor Owen Tierney.
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.
- Councillor Kevin F Woodbridge.

22. Pension Board

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers, that the following members be appointed to the Pension Board:

- Councillor J Harvey Johnston.
- Councillor Owen Tierney.
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.

23. Strategic Projects Project Board

Councillor James W Stockan, seconded by Councillor Graham L Sinclair, moved that the constitutional arrangements for the Strategic Projects Project Board should remain unchanged.

Councillor W Leslie Manson moved an amendment that the constitutional arrangements for the Strategic Projects Project Board be amended by increasing membership by two other members of the Council.

On receiving no seconder, his amendment fell, and the Committee:

Resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

23.1. That the constitutional arrangements for the Strategic Projects Project Board be confirmed as follows:

- Leader.
- Depute Leader.
- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- One other Member of the Council.

23.2. That, accordingly, the following members be appointed to the Strategic Projects Project Board:

- Leader – Councillor James W Stockan.
- Depute Leader – Councillor W Leslie Manson.
- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee – Councillor Graham L Sinclair.
- Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Councillor Stephen Sankey.

24. Empowering Communities Steering Group

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers, that the following members be appointed to the Empowering Communities Steering Group:

- Councillor Stephen G Clackson.
- Councillor David Dawson.
- Councillor Rachael A King.
- Councillor Stephen Sankey.

- Councillor Graham L Sinclair.
- Councillor Magnus O Thomson.
- Councillor Kevin F Woodbridge.

25. Highlands and Islands Network for Police and Fire Services

The Committee noted that an appointment to the Highlands and Islands Network for Police and Fire Services was no longer required.

26. Orkney Research and Innovation Campus Limited Liability Partnership

The Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers, that the following members be appointed to the Orkney Research and Innovation Campus Limited Liability Partnership:

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee – Councillor James W Stockan.
- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee – Councillor Graham L Sinclair.
- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee – Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.

27. Conclusion of Meeting

At 14:50 the Chair declared the meeting concluded.

Signed: James W Stockan.