



Membership of Committees and Sub-committees of the Council

and

Appointments to Other Groups and External Agencies

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1. Service Committees as from May 2022

1.1. Development and Infrastructure Committee

Constitutional Arrangements

- Convener.
- Leader.
- Depute Leader.
- 9 other Members of the Council.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan.
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie.
- Councillor David Dawson (Chair).
- Councillor P Lindsay Hall.
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask.
- Councillor W Leslie Manson.
- Councillor Raymond S Peace.
- Councillor Gillian Skuse (Vice Chair).
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson.
- Councillor Owen Tierney.
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge.

1.2. Education, Leisure and Housing Committee

Constitutional Arrangements

- Convener.
- Leader.
- Depute Leader.
- 9 other Members of the Council.
- 3 Religious Representatives.
- 2 Teacher Representatives.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan.
- Councillor Stephen G Clackson.
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor Rachael A King.
- Councillor James R Moar.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer (Chair).

- Councillor Jean E Stevenson (Vice Chair).
- Councillor Ivan A Taylor.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge.
- One vacancy.

Religious Representatives

- Reverend Susan Kirkbride.
- Marie Locke.
- Reverend Fraser Macnaughton.

Teacher Representatives

- Jo Hill.
- Dr Mary Maley.

1.3. Policy and Resources Committee

Constitutional Arrangements

- All 21 Members of the Council.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan.
- Councillor Stephen G Clackson.
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Vice Chair).
- Councillor David Dawson.
- Councillor P Lindsay Hall.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor Rachael A King.
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask.
- Councillor W Leslie Manson.
- Councillor James R Moar.
- Councillor Raymond S Peace.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.
- Councillor Gillian Skuse.
- Councillor Jean E Stevenson.
- Councillor Ivan A Taylor.
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson.
- Councillor Owen Tierney.
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Chair).
- One vacancy.

2. Other Committees, Sub-committees and Groups appointed by Council

2.1. Licensing Committee

Constitutional Arrangements

- 8 Members of the Council.
- Membership identical to Orkney Islands Area Licensing Board.
- Membership lasts for term of office as Councillor.

Membership

- Councillor David Dawson.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor Rachael A King.
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask (Vice Chair).
- Councillor W Leslie Manson.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.
- Councillor Owen Tierney.
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock (Chair).

2.2. Monitoring and Audit Committee

Constitutional Arrangements

- 7 Members of the Council.

The following members are ineligible for membership:

- Convener.
- Leader.
- Depute Leader.
- Chairs, Service Committees.

Membership

- Councillor Stephen G Clackson.
- Councillor P Lindsay Hall (Interim Chair).
- Councillor W Leslie Manson.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Gillian Skuse.
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson.
- One vacancy.

2.3. Planning Committee

Also sits as the Local Review Body.

Constitutional Arrangements

- 12 Members of the Council.
- Each of the six electoral wards to be represented on the Planning Committee, with one member from each ward not being appointed.
- The following members are ineligible for membership of the Planning Committee:
 - Leader.
 - Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- As far as practicable, given existing constitutional arrangements, restrictions and other appointments, the following members should not serve on the Planning Committee:
 - Depute Leader.
 - Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan.
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie.
- Councillor P Lindsay Hall (Stromness and South Isles).
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask (Kirkwall West and Orphir) (Vice Chair).
- Councillor James R Moar (East Mainland, South Ronaldsay and Burray).
- Councillor Raymond S Peace.
- Councillor John A R Scott (Kirkwall East).
- Councillor Jean E Stevenson.
- Councillor Ivan A Taylor.
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson (North Isles).
- Councillor Owen Tierney (Chair).
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock (West Mainland).

2.4. Education Appeals Committee

Constitutional Arrangements

- Appeals panel to comprise three persons to be appointed from Members not on the Education, Leisure and Housing Committee and independent persons who are not members of the authority but who are acquainted with educational conditions in the area of the authority.
- Composition of the panel must meet the terms of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980.

Membership

To be selected from the following:

- Councillor David Dawson.
- Councillor P Lindsay Hall.
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask.
- Councillor W Leslie Manson.
- Councillor Raymond S Peace.
- Councillor Gillian Skuse.
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson.
- Councillor Owen Tierney.
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.

2.5. Community Development Fund Sub-committee

Constitutional Arrangements

- Convener.
- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee (Leader).
- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- Vice Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- 2 other Members of the Council.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan (Convener).
- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask.
- Councillor W Leslie Manson.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer (Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Gillian Skuse (Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Jean E Stevenson (Vice Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).

2.6. Integration Joint Board

Constitutional Arrangements

- 3 Members of the Council.
- 3 Non-Executive Board Members of NHS Orkney.
- 3 proxies appointed by the Council.
- 2 proxies appointed by NHS Orkney.

Membership

Orkney Islands Council:

- Councillor Rachael A King (Chair with effect from May 2023).
- Councillor Jean E Stevenson.
- Councillor Ivan A Taylor.

NHS Orkney:

- Issy Grieve (Vice Chair, with effect from May 2023).
- Joanna Kenny.
- Meghan McEwen (interim).

Orkney Islands Council proxies:

- Councillor P Lindsay Hall.
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge.

NHS Orkney proxies:

- David Campbell.
- Rona Gold.

2.7. Orkney Islands Area Licensing Board

Constitutional Arrangements

- 8 Members of the Council.
- Membership identical to Licensing Committee.
- Membership lasts for term of office as Councillor.

Membership

- David Dawson.
- Steven B Heddle.
- Rachael A King.
- Kristopher D Leask (Vice Convener).
- W Leslie Manson.
- Gwenda M Shearer.
- Owen Tierney.
- Duncan A Tullock (Convener).

3. Other Elected Member Appointments

3.1. Health and Safety Responsibilities

- Councillor Ivan A Taylor.

3.2. Cyber Resilience

- Councillor Steven B Heddle.

4. Appointments made by Development and Infrastructure Committee

Sub-committees

4.1. Harbour Authority Sub-committee

Remit

- To exercise the function of Duty Holder, with responsibility for the safety, effectiveness and affordability of all existing harbour activities and for compliance with all appropriate codes and legislation.
- Projects included within and associated with the Orkney Harbours Masterplan fall within the remit of the Strategic Projects Project Board and are reported through the Policy and Resources Committee.
- As the role of Duty Holder rests with the Council, the Designated Person's Annual Audit Report is reported through the Policy and Resources Committee.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- 3 other Members of the Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- 2 other Members of the Council.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan (other Member of the Council).
- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor P Lindsay Hall.
- Councillor Gillian Skuse (Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Ivan A Taylor (other Member of the Council).
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge.

Working Groups and Consultative Groups

4.2. Planning and Community Protection Consultative Group

Remit

- To develop, scrutinise and monitor various service plans within the remit of Planning and Community Protection, including the Building Standards Performance Framework, Building Standards Balanced Scorecard, Food Regulatory Service Plan, Animal Welfare Service Plan, Health and Safety Regulatory Service Plan and Planning Performance Framework.
- To assist the Corporate Director for Neighbourhood Services and Infrastructure in all aspects of reviewing the Local Development Plan.
- To provide a consultative forum on any other relevant matters in respect of all Planning and Community Protection service issues.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Chair, Planning Committee.
- Vice Chair, Planning Committee.
- 2 other Members of the Development and Infrastructure Committee.

Membership

- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor P Lindsay Hall.
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask (Vice Chair, Planning Committee).
- Councillor Raymond S Peace.
- Councillor Gillian Skuse (Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Owen Tierney (Chair, Planning Committee).

4.3. Neighbourhood Services Consultative Group

Remit

- To contribute towards development of policy and provide a consultative forum in respect of all Neighbourhood Services issues, including roads and environmental services and the management of waste.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- 5 other Members of the Development and Infrastructure Committee.

Membership

- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask.
- Councillor Raymond S Peace.
- Councillor Gillian Skuse (Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson.
- Councillor Owen Tierney
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.

4.4. Transport Fairer Funding Consultative Group

Remit

- To develop and scrutinise work with the Scottish Government to address financial and policy considerations in relation to wider transportation infrastructure, including the replacement of the internal ferries and infrastructure and internal air services.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Leader.
- Depute Leader.
- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- 3 other Members of the Development and Infrastructure Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Depute Leader).
- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor P Lindsay Hall.
- Councillor W Leslie Manson.
- Councillor Gillian Skuse (Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Leader).

Other Appointments

4.5. Regulatory Appeals Panel

Remit

- To determine hearings in connection with the serving of Fixed Penalty Notices issued in terms of regulatory legislation within the remit of the Environmental Health service.

Constitutional Arrangements

- 3 Members of the Development and Infrastructure Committee.

Membership

To be determined by the Chief Executive from the following list, as and when required, depending on availability and nature of the appeal.

- Councillor Graham A Bevan.
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie.
- Councillor David Dawson.
- Councillor P Lindsay Hall.
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask.
- Councillor W Leslie Manson.
- Councillor Raymond S Peace.
- Councillor Gillian Skuse.
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson.
- Councillor Owen Tierney.
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge.

4.6. Destination Orkney Strategic Partnership

Remit

- To lead, manage and review the sustainable growth, management and protection of Orkney as a tourism destination to 2025, focussing on the following four key areas:
 - Development and agreement of the Destination Orkney Strategy and Priorities 2018 to 2025 (based on the existing 'Rocket').
 - Completion and sign off Destination Orkney project mapping and emerging Development Plan and agreed actions and lead responsibilities for each action area.
 - Agreement on the funding model for Destination Orkney 2018 to 2025 based on the above.
 - Co-ordination, review and monitoring progress of the Destination Orkney Development Plan, present the work to date and forward an annual plan of Destination Orkney to an annual tourism summit open to all tourism businesses, stakeholders and interested parties.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Appointment in advisory capacity only.

Membership

- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Gillian Skuse (Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).

4.7. Highlands and Islands Transport Partnership (HITRANS)

Remit

- The statutory regional transport partnership covering Eilean Siar, Orkney, Highland, Moray and most of the Argyll and Bute area, which works with local authorities, the Scottish Government, Transport Scotland, Highlands and Islands Enterprise, transport operators and other stakeholders to improve transport services and infrastructure in the north of Scotland and on routes to the Highlands and Islands.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee (substitute).

Membership

- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Gillian Skuse (Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee) (substitute).

4.8. KIMO

Remit

- The stated mission of KIMO International is a commitment to the development of sustainable coastal communities by:
 - Preventing pollution of the seas and coastal waters of North West Europe and preserving, improving and enhancing them for future generations.
 - Protecting coastal communities from the impacts of marine pollution and climate change.
 - Representing its member local authorities and associated members at an international and national level.

Constitutional Arrangements

- One Member of the Harbour Authority Sub-committee.

Membership

- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge.

4.9. Orkney Energy Strategy Stakeholder Group

Remit

- To oversee development and review of the Orkney Energy Strategy.
- To oversee development and delivery of an action plan to progress the Orkney Energy Strategy.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Convener.
- Leader.
- Depute Leader.
- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Vice Chair Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Officer representation:
 - Head of Enterprise and Economic Growth.
 - Head of Marine Services, Transportation and Harbour Master.
 - Head of Planning and Community Protection.
 - Head of Community Learning, Leisure and Housing.
- To provide corporate oversight, the undernoted Corporate Directors be invited to participate as and when required:
 - Corporate Director for Enterprise and Sustainable Regeneration.
 - Corporate Director for Neighbourhood Services and Infrastructure.
 - Corporate Director for Education, Leisure and Housing.

Membership

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Depute Leader).
- Councillor Graham A Bevan (Convener).
- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Gillian Skuse (Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Leader).

4.10. Orkney Local Plan District Partnership

Remit

- To oversee, facilitate, plan and enable all work that will result in the agreement of Flood Risk Management strategies and delivery of the Local Flood Risk Management Plan.
- To deal with all aspects of communications and stakeholder management.

Constitutional Arrangements

- One Member of the Development and Infrastructure Committee.

Membership

- Councillor W Leslie Manson.

4.11. Orkney Marine Planning Advisory Group

Remit

To provide advice and feedback on development of the Orkney Regional Marine Plan and help ensure effective stakeholder and public participation in developing the Plan.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Chair, Planning Committee.
- Vice Chair, Planning Committee.
- Stakeholder representatives:
 - Orkney Islands Council.
 - Scottish Environment Protection Agency.
 - NatureScot.
 - Historic Environment Scotland.
 - Royal Society for the Protection of Birds.
 - Orkney Marinas.
 - Orkney Sub Aqua Club.
 - Orkney Sustainable Fisheries.
 - Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks.

- Scottish Salmon.
- Orkney Harbour Authority.
- Orkney Marine Services Association.
- Repsol Sinopec.
- Visit Scotland.
- Crown Estate Scotland.
- Orkney Renewable Energy Forum.
- Heriot Watt University International Centre for Island Technology.

Membership

- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask (Vice Chair, Planning Committee).
- Councillor Gillian Skuse (Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Owen Tierney (Chair, Planning Committee).

4.12. Orkney Renewable Energy Forum

Remit

- To encourage the preferential use of renewable energy in Orkney.
- To debate the best technical and sustainable options for increasing renewable energy and energy efficiency in Orkney.
- To facilitate Research and Development in renewable energy and energy efficiency.
- To disseminate information on renewable energy and energy efficiency.
- To lobby on the strategic issues affecting the development of a renewable energy sector in Orkney.
- To act as a consultative body on issues related to connecting Orkney to renewable energy markets.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Appointment in observer capacity only.

Membership

- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Gillian Skuse (Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).

4.13. Road Safety Forum

Remit

- A multi-agency group, currently comprising representation from Orkney Islands Council, Police Scotland, NHS Orkney, Scottish Ambulance Service, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Driving Instructors and other interested parties, to formulate a strategic approach to road safety in Orkney.

Constitutional Arrangements

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

Membership

- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Gillian Skuse (Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.

5. Appointments made by Education, Leisure and Housing Committee

Sub-committees

5.1. St Magnus Cathedral Sub-committee

Remit

- All matters relating to the upkeep of the fabric of St Magnus Cathedral and uses made of the building and its curtilage, having regard to the architectural character of the building.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Convener.
- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- Vice Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- 4 other Members of the Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- Lord Lieutenant (Chair, Council of Society of Friends of St Magnus Cathedral).
- Minister of Cathedral.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan (Convener).
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer (Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Jean E Stevenson (Vice Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Ivan A Taylor.
- Elaine Grieve, Lord Lieutenant (Chair, Council of Society of Friends of St Magnus Cathedral).
- Reverend Fraser Macnaughton (Minister of Cathedral).

Working Groups and Consultative Groups

5.2. Education Quality and Standards Consultative Group

Remit

- To evaluate attainment and achievement across the Broad General Education and Senior phase, including evaluation of Developing the Young Workforce projects and how these, linked with attainment and achievement, lead to positive destinations for all.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Leader.
- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- Vice Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- 2 other Members of the Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Stephen G Clackson.
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer (Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Jean E Stevenson (Vice Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Leader).

5.3. Housing Strategies Consultative Group

Remit

- To oversee and scrutinise development of the Local Housing Strategy and associated strategies.
- To consider wider issues in respect of shared repairs and areas within Council housing areas.
- To assist with the development and review of the Fuel Poverty Strategy, including identification of targets and priorities.
- To actively explore how the Council can facilitate an initial single point of contact, in respect of all fuel poverty issues, with the range of agencies involved.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- Vice Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- 5 other Members of the Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie.
- Councillor James R Moar.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer (Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Jean E Stevenson (Vice Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Ivan A Taylor.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge.

5.4. Transforming Orkney's Cultural Services Short-Life Working Group

Remit

- To consider the findings of the consultant-led review into the provision of Council-funded cultural services in Orkney.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- Vice Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- 3 other Members of the Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan.
- Councillor Rachael A King.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer (Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Jean E Stevenson (Vice Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).

Other Appointments

5.5. Orkney Childcare and Young People's Partnership

Remit

- To consider matters relating to childcare and childcare information.
- To consider support for parents and parenting.
- To promote education and social development for children and young people.
- To promote services to support the wellbeing of children and young people at risk.

Constitutional Arrangements

- One Member of the Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- One of the 6 Orkney Islands Council representatives on the Orkney Integration Joint Board.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan (Member, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Member, Orkney Integration Joint Board).

5.6. Orkney Strategic Community Learning Group

Remit

- To improve the life chances for people of all ages through learning, personal development and active citizenship.
- To create stronger, more resilient, supportive, influential and inclusive communities.
- To ensure a co-ordinated approach to meeting the community learning and development needs of individuals and groups in Orkney.
- To raise awareness of the importance of community learning and development through effective communication.
- To support the community learning and development workforce (staff and volunteers) through a programme of training and development.
- To engage with communities to promote a better understanding of community learning and development needs in Orkney.
- To produce a joint Orkney community learning and development plan.
- To liaise with other community groups and partners' strategies and plans to ensure the co-ordinated delivery of local and national outcomes.
- To set up and support sub-groups and/or short-life working groups to take forward the objectives of the group as required.
- To promote effective self-evaluation by partners using How Good is the Learning and Development in our Community?

Constitutional Arrangements

- One Member of the Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.

5.7. Physical Activity and Wellbeing Group

Remit

- To develop and implement a comprehensive and evidence-based local sports strategy based on the identification, pursuit and achievement of agreed local outcomes.
- To commit to understanding clearly local needs and circumstances, including both met and unmet needs.
- To work with partners and partnerships to identify and disseminate good practice, support development of appropriate and effective services and build information on cost-effectiveness which can inform decisions on investment.
- To involve other local partners with a potential contribution to make to the achievement of agreed local outcomes including service users, carers and family groups, voluntary, third and private sector service providers.
- To identify and commit to deploying the resources necessary to deliver the agreed local outcomes including service users, carers and family groups, voluntary, third and private sector service providers.

- To ensure that the Orkney Physical Activity and Sport Partnership is appropriately embedded in local community planning arrangements and effectively enables partners to be accountable to the Scottish Government, other partners and the public.

Constitutional Arrangements

- One Member of the Education, Leisure and Housing Committee (who acts as Chair of the Physical Activity and Wellbeing Group).

Membership

- Councillor John A R Scott.

5.8. Highlands and Islands Science Skills Academy

Remit

- The Science Skills Academy is a working title for a long term programme that aims to transform the engagement of young people with science, technology, engineering, mathematics and digital (STEM/D) disciplines. It runs across the entire Highlands and Islands area.
- The Science Skills Academy is a joint enterprise backed by the University of the Highlands and Islands, Highlands and Islands Enterprise, Skills Development Scotland, the Highland Council, Scottish and Southern Energy and the Centre for Health Science.
- In June 2016, the Council was invited to become a member of the Leadership Board, which meets quarterly and steers the overall direction of the project, while the Programme Board (officer only) meets every eight weeks and is charged with overseeing delivery of the Academy programme.

Constitutional Arrangements

- One Member of the Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Stephen G Clackson.

5.9. UHI Foundation

Remit

- The UHI Foundation provides a connection between the University and its communities.
- The Foundation advises the organisation in the pursuit of its mission, provides a two-way flow of information between the University and its community stakeholders and promotes the University's mission within and outwith their communities.
- The Foundation is consulted on any proposal to amend the mission statement of the University.

Constitutional Arrangements

- One Member of the Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Stephen G Clackson.

5.10. UHI Orkney Stakeholder Group

Remit

- Understanding the impact of the college on the communities it serves.
- Advising on initiatives that might help meet the business and social needs.
- Feeding into curriculum delivery that helps meet industry needs.
- Overseeing performance of the college in support of quality improvement plans.
- Developing valuable contacts in the community, including employers.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Five Elected Members of the Education, Leisure and Housing Committee (including Chair and Vice Chair of the Committee).
- Four Business Community representatives.
- Four Community/Third Sector representatives.
- Two Student representatives.
- Two Staff representatives.
- Two representatives from UHI.

Membership

Elected Members of the Education, Leisure and Housing Committee

- Councillor Graham A Bevan.
- Councillor Stephen G Clackson.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer (Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Jean E Stevenson (Vice Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge.

Business Community representatives

- Beccy May.
- Tracey Phillips.
- Steven Sinclair.
- Liz Stevenson

Community/Third Sector representatives

- Gail Anderson.
- Lorraine Bichan.
- Harvey Johnston.
- One vacancy.

Student representatives

- Francesca Meneghetti.
- Gillian Morrison.

Staff representatives

- Ian Wilkie.
- One vacancy.

UHI

- Neil Simco.
- One vacancy.

5.10. UHI Partnership Forum**Remit**

To bring together university court members, the chairs of the academic partners and other key partners to ensure the university partnership delivers high quality tertiary education strategically across the university partnership.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.

6. Appointments made by Policy and Resources Committee

Sub-committees

6.1. Asset Management Sub-committee

Remit

- The co-ordination, management, planning and use of the Council's land and property assets, including information and communications technology.
- The establishment and review of strategies and schemes for land and property asset management.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- 5 other Members of the Policy and Resources Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee) (Chair of Asset Management Sub-committee).
- Councillor P Lindsay Hall.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor Jean E Stevenson.
- Councillor Ivan A Taylor.
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).

6.2. Community Asset Transfer Review Sub-committee

Remit

- To act as the review body in respect of decisions relating to Asset Transfer Requests, as defined in Section 86(10) in the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, which states that a review must be carried out by Councillors.

Constitutional Arrangements

- 7 Members of the Policy and Resources Committee.
- Members of the Asset Management Sub-committee are ineligible for membership.

Membership

- Councillor David Dawson.
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask.
- Councillor James R Moar.
- Councillor Gillian Skuse.
- Councillor Owen Tierney.
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.

- One vacancy.

6.3. Human Resources Sub-committee

Remit

- The establishment and review of policies, procedures and strategies relating to the human resource requirements of the Council.
- The formulation of local agreements in respect of conditions of service.
- The receipt of annual reports relating to staff numbers and statistics.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- 6 other Members of the Policy and Resources Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee) (Chair of Human Resources Sub-committee).
- Councillor James R Moar.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.
- Councillor Ivan A Taylor.
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).
- One vacancy.

6.4. Investments Sub-committee

Remit

- Matters relating to management of the investment of the Council's reserve funds, including monitoring fund managers, determination of the overall parameters within which the investment fund managers are authorised to operate and monitoring investment performance.
- The application of reserve fund monies to local investments, including making loans.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- 5 other Members of the Policy and Resources Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee) (Chair of Investments Sub-committee).
- Councillor P Lindsay Hall.

- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor Rachael A King.
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask.
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).

6.5. Pension Fund Sub-committee

Remit

- To discharge all functions and responsibilities relating to the Council's role as administering authority for the Orkney Islands Council Pension Fund.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- 5 other Members of the Policy and Resources Committee.
- Membership identical to Investments Sub-committee.

Membership

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee) (Chair of Pension Fund Sub-committee).
- Councillor P Lindsay Hall.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor Rachael A King.
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask.
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).

6.6. Police and Fire Sub-committee

Remit

- All matters concerning the scrutiny of, and engagement with, the Police Service and the Fire and Rescue Services.

Constitutional Arrangements

- 7 Members of the Council comprising:
 - One Member representing each of the 6 electoral wards.
 - One other Member of the Council.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan (Stromness and South Isles).
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Kirkwall West and Orphir).
- Councillor David Dawson (Kirkwall East) (Chair).
- Councillor Raymond S Peace (East Mainland, Burray and South Ronaldsay).

- Councillor Jean E Stevenson.
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson (North Isles).
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock (West Mainland) (Vice Chair).

6.7. Staff Appeals Sub-committee

Remit

- The determination of appeals by employees, including teaching staff.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- 6 other Members of the Policy and Resources Committee.
- Membership identical to Human Resources Sub-committee.

Membership

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee) (Chair of Staff Appeals Sub-committee).
- Councillor James R Moar.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.
- Councillor Ivan A Taylor.
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).
- One vacancy.

6.8. Joint Consultative Committee

Remit

- To discuss with staff (normally through recognised trade unions) matters of common interest, including internal industrial relations, health and safety at work, etc.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- 3 other Members of the Policy and Resources Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan.
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.
- Councillor Gillian Skuse.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).

Consultative Groups and Working Groups

6.9. Climate Change Consultative Group

Remit

- To review what the Council is already doing to reduce its carbon footprint.
- To consider and recommend new targets and priorities for including in the Council's Climate Change Strategy/Programme and the Council Plan.

Constitutional Arrangements

- 8 Members of the Policy and Resources Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan.
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask.
- Councillor W Leslie Manson.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Jean E Stevenson.
- Councillor Owen Tierney.
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge.

6.10. Communications and Engagement Consultative Group

Remit

- To assist with reviewing the Communications and Engagement Strategy.
- To oversee development and delivery of an action plan to progress the Communications and Engagement Strategy.
- To provide guidance to further develop and improve the Council's communications activities.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- 6 other Members of the Policy and Resources Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan.
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).
- Councillor David Dawson.
- Councillor Raymond S Peace.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).

- One vacancy.

6.11. Constitutional Reform Consultative Group

Remit

- To consider the relevance, political impact and opportunities posed by possible constitutional reform.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- 6 other Members of the Policy and Resources Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan.
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).
- Councillor Stephen G Clackson.
- Councillor P Lindsay Hall.
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor Rachael A King.
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).

6.12. Corporate Charging Consultative Group

Remit

- To oversee and provide guidance on charging for Council services, including social work and social care services.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- Vice Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- Chair or Vice Chair, Orkney Integration Joint Board (whichever is the Council appointment).
- One other Member, Orkney Integration Joint Board.

Membership

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).
- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Rachael A King (Vice Chair, Orkney Integration Joint Board).

- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer (Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Gillian Skuse (Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Jean E Stevenson (Vice Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Ivan A Taylor (One other Member, Orkney Integration Joint Board).
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).

6.13. Digital Strategy Consultative Group

Remit

- To oversee development of, and thereafter progress, the Digital Strategy, including associated Delivery Plan, focussing on three core strategic priorities, namely:
 - Digital Communities and Wellbeing – connecting communities, supporting ethical and sustainable digital islands and helping to foster thriving digital communities.
 - A Digital Islands Economy – enabling enterprising digital communities and supporting Orkney’s digital technology sector.
 - Digital Local Government and Services – public service partnership and collaboration delivery digital transformation.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- 4 other Members of the Policy and Resources Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan.
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).

6.14. Procurement Consultative Group

Remit

- To consider all matters relating to procurement, including reviewing the Contract Standing Orders and development of a procurement strategy.

Constitutional Arrangements

- 6 Members of the Policy and Resources Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie.
- Councillor David Dawson.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Ivan A Taylor.
- Councillor Owen Tierney.
- Councillor Duncan A Tullock.

6.15. Student Housing Working Group

Remit

- To further progress work relating to the provision of student housing.

Constitutional Arrangements

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

Membership

- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer (Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).

6.16. Working Group on Twinning and Friendship

Remit

- To consider matters relating to twinning activities, most notably with Vestland (formerly Hordaland).

Constitutional Arrangements

- Convener.
- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan (Convener).
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).
- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer (Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).

Other Appointments

6.17. Capital Programme Advisory Board

Remit

- To provide a forum for informal oversight and comment on matters concerning the capital programme, including strategic oversight of the Council House build programme and key project modification or variations where these fall within the overall realm of delegated authority.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee.
- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- Vice Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- Chair/Vice Chair, Orkney Integration Joint Board (whichever is the Council appointment).

Membership

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Vice Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).
- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Rachael A King (Vice Chair, Orkney Integration Joint Board).
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer (Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Gillian Skuse (Vice Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Jean E Stevenson (Vice Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).

6.18. Pension Board

Remit

- To assist the Scheme Manager (Orkney Islands Council) in relation to compliance with pension scheme regulations and the requirements of the Pensions Regulator.

Constitutional Arrangements

- 4 Employer Representatives comprising:
 - 3 Elected Members.
 - One admitted/scheduled body representative.
- 4 Trade Union Representatives.

The following are ineligible for membership of the Pension Board:

- Members of the Monitoring and Audit Committee.
- Members of the Investments Sub-committee.

Membership

Employer Representatives

- Councillor Graham A Bevan.
- Councillor James R Moar.
- Councillor Owen Tierney.
- Karen Ritch, Orkney Ferries Limited.

Trade Union Representatives

- Karen Kent, Unison.
- Eoin Miller, Unite.
- Eileen Swanney, Unison.
- Mark Vincent, GMB.

6.19. Strategic Projects Project Board

Remit

- To provide oversight for the Scale Wind project and other strategic projects, including projects included within and related to the Orkney Harbours Masterplan, where relevant.
- To consider matters relating to community benefit arising from renewable activity, including division of the Pentland Firth and Orkney Waters with Highland Council.
- To provide governance and support for the Council's participation in existing hydrogen projects and any future projects that the Council might participate in.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Leader.
- Depute Leader.
- Convener.
- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- Chair/Vice Chair, Orkney Integration Joint Board (whichever is the Council appointment).
- 3 other Members of the Council.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan (Convener).
- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Depute Leader).
- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Rachael A King (Vice Chair, Orkney Integration Joint Board).

- Councillor Kristopher D Leask.
- Councillor W Leslie Manson.
- Councillor Raymond S Peace.
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer (Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Leader).

6.20. Empowering Communities Steering Group

Remit

- To develop options for providing sustainable services within Orkney communities.
- To monitor pilot projects currently ongoing in Papa Westray, Stronsay, Sanday and Hoy.

Constitutional Arrangements

- 8 Members of the Policy and Resources Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan.
- Councillor Stephen G Clackson.
- Councillor P Lindsay Hall.
- Councillor Rachael A King.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Ivan A Taylor.
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge.

6.21. Orkney Research and Innovation Campus Limited Liability Partnership

Remit

- In April 2016, the Council agreed to enter into a limited liability partnership (LLP) with Highlands and Islands Enterprise (HIE) in respect of future ownership and management of the Orkney Research and Innovation Campus.
- The LLP operates on a day-to-day basis under the management of a Board comprising three representatives from both the Council and HIE, together with an independent Chair jointly appointed by the partners.
- The core business of the LLP, or “reserved matters”, will remain under the control of the partners.

Constitutional Arrangements

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

Membership

- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer (Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Chair, Policy and Resources Committee).

6.22. Orkney Childcare and Young People's Partnership

Remit

- To consider matters relating to childcare and childcare information.
- To consider support for parents and parenting.
- To promote education and social development for children and young people.
- To promote services to support the wellbeing of children and young people at risk.

Constitutional Arrangements

- One Member of the Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- One of the 6 Orkney Islands Council representatives on the Orkney Integration Joint Board.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan (Member, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Member, Orkney Integration Joint Board).

Appointments to Other Bodies

7. Companies and Trusts

7.1. Kirkwall BID Limited

Constitutional Arrangements

- One Member of the Council.
- Appointment lasts for term of office as Councillor.

Membership

- Councillor John A R Scott.

7.2. Orkney Ferries Limited

Constitutional Arrangements

- 5 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.
- Appointment lasts for term of office as Councillor.

Membership

- Councillor P Lindsay Hall (South Isles).
- Councillor Raymond S Peace (Mainland).
- Councillor Ivan A Taylor.
- Councillor Mellissa-Louise Thomson (North Isles) (Chair).
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge.

7.3. Orkney Islands Council General Charitable Trust

Constitutional Arrangements

- Convener.
- Leader.
- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.
- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- Chief Executive.
- Head of Finance.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan (Convener).
- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Erik Knight (Head of Finance).
- Oliver D Reid (Chief Executive).

- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer (Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Leader) (TBC by OIC GCT).

7.4. Pickaquoy Centre Trust

Constitutional Arrangements

- 5 Members of the Council, including:
 - One representative of the Education, Leisure and Housing Committee or such other committee operated by the Council for the purposes of having responsibility for leisure services, or such other similar purpose.
 - One representative of the Monitoring and Audit Committee or such other committee operated by the Council for the purpose of having responsibility for oversight, auditing and monitoring or such other similar purpose.
- Members of Orkney Islands Area Licensing Board are ineligible for nomination as a trustee.
- Appointment lasts for term of office as Councillor.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan.
- Councillor Raymond S Peace.
- Councillor John A R Scott.
- Councillor Gillian Skuse.
- Councillor Ivan A Taylor.

8. Local Government, European and Multi-Agency Bodies

8.1. Islands Growth Deal Joint Committee

Remit

On 5 October 2021, the Council resolved to establish a Joint Committee, in terms of Section 57 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, between Orkney Islands Council, Comhairle nan Eilean Siar and Shetland Islands Council for the purpose of managing implementation of the Growth Deal for the Islands.

The Joint Committee Governance Agreement in relation to the Islands Deal states there will be equal representation from each of the three Councils on the Joint Committee, with two representatives from each Council. One of the two representatives to be appointed by each Council shall be the Leader, with the second representative to be determined by the relevant Council. The settled position of the Islands Deal Programme Board is that the second appointment shall be the relevant Chair of economic development functions, having regard to the economic significance of the various projects within the Islands Deal Programme.

Constitutional Arrangements

- Leader.
- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.

Membership

- Councillor David Dawson (Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee).
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Leader).

8.2. Orkney and Shetland Valuation Joint Board

Constitutional Arrangements

- 5 Members of the Council.
- 2 substitute Members of the Council.
- Appointment lasts for term of office as Councillor.

Membership

Substantive Members:

- Orkney Islands Council:
 - Stephen G Clackson (Depute Convener of the Board).
 - P Lindsay Hall.
 - Kristopher D Leask.
 - John A R Scott.
 - Jean E Stevenson.

- Shetland Islands Council:
 - Allison Duncan.
 - Stephen Leask (Convener of the Board).
 - Liz Peterson.
 - Gary Robinson.
 - Arwed Wenger.

Substitute Members:

- Orkney Islands Council:
 - James R Moar.
 - Gillian Skuse.
- Shetland Islands Council:
 - Moraig Lyall.
 - Andrea Manson.
 - Neil Pearson.
 - Bryan Peterson.
 - One vacancy.

8.3. Board of NHS Orkney

Constitutional Arrangements

- One member of the Council (nomination made to, and appointment made by, the relevant Scottish Minister).
- Appointment lasts for term of office as Councillor/ex officio appointment.

Membership

- Councillor Jean E Stevenson.

8.4. Colleges Scotland – National Employers Association

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.

8.5. Convention of the Highlands and Islands

Constitutional Arrangements

- Convener.
- Leader.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan (Convener).
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Leader).

8.6. Fostering, Adoption and Permanence Panel

Constitutional Arrangements

- 2 Members of the Council.
- Appointment lasts term of office as Councillor.

Membership

- Councillor P Lindsay Hall.
- Councillor Jean E Stevenson.

8.7. Orkney Alcohol and Drugs Partnership

Constitutional Arrangements

- 1 Member of the Council.

Membership

- Councillor Jean E Stevenson.

8.8. Orkney Community Justice Partnership

Constitutional Arrangements

- 1 Member of the Council.
- 1 substitute Member of the Council.

Membership

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (substitute).
- Councillor P Lindsay Hall.

8.9. Orkney Memorial Fund

Constitutional Arrangements

- Convener.
- Leader.
- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.
- Vice Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Graham A Bevan (Convener).
- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer (Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Jean E Stevenson (Vice Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee).
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Leader).

8.10. Scottish Councils Committee on Radioactive Substances

Remit

- To provide a mechanism to identify a common, Scottish local authority viewpoint on matters relating to radioactive waste substances, in particular radioactive management.
- To act as an interface with the Scottish Government, Scottish Parliament and regulatory bodies as they consult on radioactive waste management and clean-up policy and practice.
- To influence national policy on radioactive waste management in the interests of the communities affected.

Constitutional Arrangements

- One Member of the Council.

Membership

- Councillor Stephen G Clackson.

9. Convention of Scottish Local Authorities

9.1. Convention

Constitutional Arrangements

- Leader.
- Depute Leader.
- 1 other Member of the Council.

Membership

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie (Depute Leader).
- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge (Leader).

9.2. Leaders' Meetings

Constitutional Arrangements

- Leader.

Membership

- Councillor Heather N Woodbridge.

9.3. Children and Young People Board

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Education, Leisure and Housing Committee.

Membership

- Councillor Gwenda M Shearer.

9.4. Health and Social Care Board

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair or Vice Chair, Orkney Integration Joint Board (whichever is the Council appointment).

Membership

- Councillor Rachael A King.

9.5. Environment and Economy Board

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Development and Infrastructure Committee.

Membership

- Councillor David Dawson.

9.6. Community Wellbeing Board

Constitutional Arrangements

- Chair, Police and Fire Sub-committee.

Membership

- Councillor David Dawson.

9.7. Scottish Joint Council for Local Government Employees

Constitutional Arrangements

- One Member, currently Depute Leader.
- One substitute – to be appointed on an ad hoc basis, as and when required.

Membership

- Councillor Alexander G Cowie.

10. Miscellaneous

10.1. Council of Society of Friends of St Magnus Cathedral

Constitutional Arrangements

- 4 Members of the Council.
- Appointment lasts for the term of office as Councillor.

Membership

- Councillor Steven B Heddle.
- Councillor W Leslie Manson.
- Councillor Raymond S Peace.
- Councillor John A R Scott.

10.2. Dounreay Stakeholders Group

Remit

The Dounreay Stakeholder Group (DSG) is an independent body whose role is to provide public scrutiny of the Dounreay site, by providing an active, two-way channel of communication between the site operators, the Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA) and local stakeholders.

The primary purpose of the DSG is to be the main interface between the community, the site operator and the NDA. In this role it exists:

- To provide an active, two-way channel of communication between the site operator, the NDA and local stakeholders.
- To give an opportunity for questioning the operator, the NDA and regulators.
- To represent local views and input timely advice to the NDA and site operator.
- To comment on the performance of NDA and site operator with regard to achievement of plans, value for money, etc.
- To commission and receive reports about activities and their impact on, for example, safety, the environment and local economy.
- To review arrangements for such matters as emergency response.
- To scrutinise and input into the prioritisation of work programmes.
- To scrutinise and input into the priorities of socio economic activities by the NDA, PBO and the site licence company and how these link into the Caithness and North Sutherland Regeneration Partnership.
- To provide views and comments to the NDA and site operator on the future of the site.
- To provide views on the NDA contract and the performance of the operator.
- To set up sub-groups to address specific issues relevant to the clean-up programme.
- To facilitate participation in the wider local consultation via public meetings and other mechanisms as required.

The group also functions as the Local Liaison Committee for the Vulcan Naval Reactor Test Establishment, providing a formal interface between the Ministry of Defence operator, the Naval Superintendent Vulcan and the local community. In this role it exists:

- To provide an active, two-way channel of communication between the Ministry of Defence and local stakeholders.
- To give an opportunity to question the Ministry of Defence operator and Defence site regulators on site operational matters.
- To review arrangements for such matters as emergency response.
- To provide views and comments to the Ministry of Defence operator on the future of the site.

Constitutional Arrangements

- 1 Member of the Council.
- 1 substitute.

Membership

- Councillor Stephen G Clackson.
- Councillor Kristopher D Leask (substitute).

10.3. Highland Reserve Forces' and Cadets' Association

Remit

The Highland Reserve Forces' and Cadets' Association (RFCA) is a Crown Agency, established by Act of Parliament (under the Reserve Forces Act 1996) as one of 13 separate independent and autonomous Tri-Service corporate bodies, to support the Reserve Forces and Cadets in the Highlands and Islands of Scotland.

The Association provides support to the Reserve Forces and Service Cadet Organisations across the Highlands of Scotland in order to enhance their effectiveness, and through representation by the Association to inform and influence the wider community on issues relating to the Armed Forces-in-Society. The Highland RFCA has an Executive Board and three Area Committees.

Constitutional Arrangements

- 1 Member of the Council.
- Membership lasts for the term of office as Councillor.

Membership

- Councillor David Dawson.

10.4. Orkney Local Access Forum

Remit

The Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003 requires local authorities to set up at least one Local Access Forum, comprising representatives with a range of interests in access, including the following:

- Users (eg representing walkers, cyclists, horse riders, people with disabilities and water sports).
- Land managers (eg bodies representing farming, estates and businesses, forestry).
- Public agencies (eg access authority, local enterprise company, NatureScot, Forestry Commission).
- Community interests (eg representing the community council, local residents' association).

The Local Access Forum will encourage dialogue among these interests about access issues. The functions of the Local Access Forum are to provide an advisory and dispute-resolution service for the access authority and others.

Constitutional Arrangements

- One Member, who is not a member of the Development and Infrastructure Committee.

Membership

- Councillor John A R Scott.