

CLACKMANNANSHIRE COUNCIL

Report to: Clackmannanshire Council

Date of Meeting: 2 February 2023

Subject: Election of Roles and Elected Member Representation on Outside Bodies following Resignation of Councillor Craig Holden from the SNP Administration Group

Report by: Chief Executive

1.0 Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is for Council to consider the replacement appointments to the various roles and outside body positions as set out in the recommendations as a result of vacancies following the resignation of Councillor Craig Holden from the SNP Group (the current Administration of the Council).

2.0 Recommendations

That Council:

- 2.1 Seeks nominations and makes appointments to the following vacant positions:-
- 2.1.1 Depute Convener of Council and Depute Provost in terms of the Standing Orders; and
 - 2.1.2 Spokesperson for Partnership, Third Sector and Digital Strategy.
- 2.2 Notes that the position of Spokesperson for Partnership; Third Sector; and Digital Strategy is awarded a Senior Councillor Responsibility payment;
- 2.3 Taking into consideration the information set out in Appendix A:-
- 2.3.1 Notes that as a consequence on the appointment of the Depute Provost, the postholder also becomes a trustee of the Comrie Trust; and
 - 2.3.2 Seeks nominations and makes an appointment to the vacant position on Clackmannanshire Alliance;
- 2.4 Notes that that Councillor Phil Fairlie is the replacement for the SNP Group on the Be the Future Transformation (Thematic) Board.

3.0 Considerations

- 3.1. Councillor Craig Holden resigned from the SNP Group on 9 December 2022 and now is an Independent Member of Clackmannanshire Council. As a consequence, a number of vacancies have arisen that require Council appointments. These are:
- Depute Convener of the Council;
 - Depute Provost; and
 - Spokesperson for Partnership; Third Sector; and Digital Strategy.
- 3.2. It was agreed at the Statutory Meeting of Council on 25 May 2022 that the position of Spokesperson for Partnership; Third Sector; and Digital Strategy is awarded Senior Councillor Responsibility payment.
- 3.3. In addition to the above, Appendix A to this report also sets out appointments to outside bodies that Council now needs to consider.
- 3.4. As part of the “Council’s Decision-Making Framework: Boards and Briefing Framework” agreed by Council on 11 August 2022, four thematic boards were set up with elected member representation. Members are asked to note that Councillor Phil Fairlie has replaced Councillor Holden as the SNP Group representative on the Be the Future Transformation (Thematic) Board.
- 3.5. Elected Members nominated to fill some positions may be required to undertake training on their duties. Such training will normally be provided in-house and appointed members should be prepared to attend.
- 3.6. In accordance with Section 4 of the Councillors’ Code of Conduct, every elected member has a personal responsibility to register interests, financial or otherwise. The Code advises that Councillors must register all directorships and positions of office in public bodies, clubs, organisations and societies. Guidance notes on the registration of interests have been issued to every Clackmannanshire Councillor.

4.0 Sustainability Implications - n/a

5.0 Resource Implications

5.1. *Financial Details*

- 5.2. The full financial implications of the recommendations are set out in the report. This includes a reference to full life cycle costs where appropriate. Yes

- 5.3. Finance have been consulted and have agreed the financial implications as set out in the report. Yes

5.4. *Staffing*

6.0 Exempt Reports

6.1. Is this report exempt? Yes (please detail the reasons for exemption below) No

8.0 Declarations

The recommendations contained within this report support or implement our Corporate Priorities and Council Policies.

(1) **Our Priorities** (Please double click on the check box)

Clackmannanshire will be attractive to businesses & people and ensure fair opportunities for all
Our families; children and young people will have the best possible start in life
Women and girls will be confident and aspirational, and achieve their full potential
Our communities will be resilient and empowered so that they can thrive and flourish

(2) **Council Policies** (Please detail)

9.0 Equalities Impact

9.1 Have you undertaken the required equalities impact assessment to ensure that no groups are adversely affected by the recommendations?
Yes No

10.0 Legality

10.1 It has been confirmed that in adopting the recommendations contained in this report, the Council is acting within its legal powers. Yes

11.0 Appendices

11.1 Please list any appendices attached to this report. If there are no appendices, please state "none".

Appendix 1 – List of Outside Bodies for consideration



12.0 Background Papers

12.1 Have you used other documents to compile your report? (All documents must be kept available by the author for public inspection for four years from the date of meeting at which the report is considered)
Yes (please list the documents below) No

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APPENDIX 1

Name of Outside Body	Number Of Reps	Comments / Criteria
Clackmannanshire Alliance	4	<p>Membership: Councillor Ellen Forson Vacancy Councillor Kenneth Earle Councillor Martha Benny</p> <p>Criteria: Not specific. Previously has been the Council Leader and Depute Leader and the Opposition Leader and Depute Leader.</p>
TRUSTS		
Comrie Trust	4	<p>Membership: Councillor Donald Balsillie (Provost) Vacancy (Depute Provost) Councillor Martha Benny Councillor William Keogh</p> <p>Criteria: Provost, Depute Provost and 2 Members of Clackmannanshire North (<i>Cllrs Balsillie, Benny, Law & Keogh</i>).</p>

