

CLACKMANNANSHIRE COUNCIL

Report to: Clackmannanshire Council

Date of Meeting: 23 March 2023

**Subject: Appointments for (a) Vice Convenor of the Regulatory Committee;
and (b) CoSLA Convention**

Report by: Chief Executive

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is for Council to consider the appointments detailed in the Recommendations at paragraph 2 following the decision of elected members stepping down from these roles.

2.0 Recommendations

That Council:

- 2.1 Seek nominations from the current membership of the Regulatory Committee to undertake the role of Vice Convenor;
- 2.2 Seek nominations from the Labour Group to replace an elected member as the Council's representative on the outside body on the CoSLA Convention as detailed below;
- 2.3 notes the amended political balance of the Council as a result of the recent resignation of an elected member from the SNP Group as detailed in paragraph 3.4;

3.0 Considerations

- 3.1. The Vice Convener of the Regulatory Committee has resigned from this role. The elected member will remain on the Regulatory Committee but not as Vice Convener. As such nominations will be sought from the current membership.
- 3.2. Current Membership of the Regulatory Committee is as noted below:

Membership: 8 Quorum:4

Members:

Councillor Martha Benny
Councillor Kenneth Earle
Councillor Phil Fairlie
Councillor Wendy Hamilton

Councillor Scott Harrison
Councillor Darren Lee
Councillor Kathleen Martin
Councillor Jane McTaggart

- 3.3 As result of an elected member's resignation from the membership of CoSLA Convention the Labour Group requires to replace his membership on this outside body.
- 3.4 Political representation on the Council following the resignation of an elected member from the SNP Group is set out in the table below. This shows the number of seats each group has and the percentage of overall seats that number represents:

Political Groups	Number	%
SNP	8	44
Labour	5	28
Conservative	3	17
Green	1	5.5
Independent	1	5.5
	18	100

- 3.5 The constitution of the CoSLA Convention confirms that the membership for Clackmannanshire is 3 elected members and is on a basis which reflects the balance of party group strength within each Member Council.
- 3.6 Based on the political balance of the Council as detailed in paragraph 3.4 membership for this outside body is 1 member of the SNP, 1 member of the Labour Group and 1 member of the Conservative Group.
- 3.7 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.
- 3.8 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".
None.

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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