

**MINUTES of MEETING of ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, KILMORY,
LOCHGILPHEAD on THURSDAY, 19 MAY 2022**

Present: Councillor Maurice Corry (Chair)

Councillor John Armour	Councillor Ian James MacQuire
Councillor Gordon Blair	Councillor Tommy MacPherson
Councillor Robin Currie	Councillor Jan Brown
Councillor Audrey Forrest	Councillor William Sinclair
Councillor Graham Hardie	Councillor Garret Corner
Councillor Kieron Green	Councillor Reeni Kennedy-Boyle
Councillor Donald Kelly	Councillor Paul Donald Kennedy
Councillor Jim Lynch	Councillor Ross Moreland
Councillor Liz McCabe	Councillor Andrew Kain
Councillor Yvonne McNeilly	Councillor Mark Irvine
Councillor Gary Mulvaney	Councillor Peter Wallace
Councillor Iain Paterson	Councillor Amanda Hampsey
Councillor Gemma Penfold	Councillor Willie Hume
Councillor Douglas Philand	Councillor Math Campbell-Sturgess
Councillor Andrew Vennard	Councillor Dougie McFadzean
Councillor John McAlpine	Councillor Daniel Hampsey
Councillor Luna Martin	Councillor Fiona Howard

Attending: Pippa Milne, Chief Executive
Douglas Hendry, Executive Director
Kirsty Flanagan, Executive Director
David Logan, Head of Legal and Regulatory Support
Fiona Davies, Chief Officer, Health and Social Care Partnership
Fergus Murray, Head of Development and Economic Growth
Patricia O'Neill, Governance Manager
Shona Barton, Committee Manager

The Chief Executive, as Returning Officer, welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the new Council.

1. MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL: REPORT BY RETURNING OFFICER

Consideration was given to a report from the Returning Officer detailing the persons who had been elected as Councillors for each of the 11 wards into which the Argyll and Bute Local Government Area is divided.

Decision

The Council noted the content of the report by the Returning Officer.

(Ref: Report by Returning Officer dated 5 May 2022, submitted)

2. ELECT PROVOST OF THE COUNCIL

The Chief Executive, as Returning Officer, invited nominations for election to the position of Provost of the Council.

Motion

Councillor John McAlpine nominated Councillor Maurice Corry for the position of Provost and this was seconded by Councillor Liz McCabe.

Amendment

Councillor Jim Lynch nominated Councillor Dougie Philand for the position of Provost and this was seconded by Councillor Audrey Forrest.

As the meeting was being held on a hybrid virtual basis the vote required to be taken by calling the Roll and Members voted as follows –

Motion

Councillor Corner
Councillor Corry
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Councillor D Hamspey
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Councillor Penfold
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Councillor Vennard
Councillor Wallace

Amendment

Councillor Armour
Councillor Blair
Councillor Brown
Councillor Campbell-Sturgess
Councillor Forrest
Councillor Howard
Councillor Hume
Councillor Irvine
Councillor Kelly
Councillor Kennedy-Boyle
Councillor Lynch
Councillor Martin
Councillor MacQuire
Councillor McFadzean
Councillor Paterson
Councillor Philand

Decision

The Motion was carried by 19 vote to 16 and the Council resolved accordingly.

The Returning Officer invited Councillor Maurice Corry to take the Chair as Provost of the Council.

The Provost thanked his colleagues for electing him as Provost of the Council and thanked them for their support.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was intimated from Councillor Julie McKenzie.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (IF ANY)

There were no declarations of interest intimated.

5. ELECT DEPUTE PROVOST OF THE COUNCIL

The Provost invited nominations for the position of Depute Provost of the Council.

Motion

Councillor Yvonne McNeilly nominated Councillor Liz McCabe for the position of Depute Provost and this was seconded by Councillor Garrett Corner.

Amendment

Councillor Audrey Forrest nominated Councillor John Armour for the position of Depute Provost and this was seconded by Councillor Jim Lynch.

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Amendment

Councillor Armour
Councillor Blair
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Councillor Campbell-Sturgess
Councillor Forrest
Councillor Howard
Councillor Hume
Councillor Irvine
Councillor Kelly
Councillor Kennedy-Boyle
Councillor Lynch
Councillor Martin
Councillor MacQuire
Councillor McFadzean
Councillor Paterson
Councillor Philand

Decision

The Motion was carried by 19 votes to 16 and the Council resolved accordingly.

The Provost invited Councillor Liz McCabe to take her seat as Depute Provost.

6. ELECT THE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

The Provost invited nominations for the position of Leader of the Council.

Motion

Councillor Tommy MacPherson nominated Councillor Robin Currie for the position of Leader of the Council and this was seconded by Councillor William Sinclair.

Amendment

Councillor Audrey Forrest nominated Councillor Jim Lynch for the position of Leader of the Council and this was seconded by Councillor Dougie Philand.

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Councillor Green

Amendment

Councillor Armour
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Councillor Brown
Councillor Campbell-Sturgess

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Councillor Vennard
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Councillor Forrest
Councillor Howard
Councillor Hume
Councillor Irvine
Councillor Kelly
Councillor Kennedy-Boyle
Councillor Lynch
Councillor Martin
Councillor MacQuire
Councillor McFadzean
Councillor Paterson
Councillor Philand

Decision

The Motion was carried by 19 vote to 16 and the Council resolved accordingly.

7. ELECT DEPUTE LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

The Provost invited nominations for the position of Depute Leader of the Council.

Motion

Councillor Kieron Green nominated Councillor Gary Mulvaney for the position of Depute Leader of the Council and this was seconded by Councillor Liz McCabe.

Amendment

Councillor Jim Lynch nominated Councillor Audrey Forrest for the position of Depute Leader of the Council and this was seconded by Councillor John Armour.

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Amendment

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Councillor Blair
Councillor Brown
Councillor Campbell-Sturgess
Councillor Forrest
Councillor Howard
Councillor Hume
Councillor Irvine
Councillor Kelly
Councillor Kennedy-Boyle
Councillor Lynch
Councillor Martin
Councillor MacQuire
Councillor McFadzean
Councillor Paterson
Councillor Philand

Decision

The Motion was carried by 19 votes to 16 and the Council resolved accordingly.

8. COMPOSITION OF THE COUNCIL

A report which provided the Council with information on its composition in terms of the formation of groups of Councillors following the election on 5 May 2022 was given consideration.

The Executive Director had previously circulated an updated document detailing the current Political Composition of the Council.

Decision

The Council noted the terms of the report and the updated political composition of the Council.

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support dated 10 May 2022, submitted)

9. COUNCIL CONSTITUTION

The Council were invited to adopt the following parts of the Council Constitution Pro Tem:-

- a) Constitution
- b) Standing Orders for Meetings
- c) Scheme of Administration and Delegations
- d) Financial and Security Regulations
- e) Contract Standing Orders
- f) Ethical Framework
- g) Scheme of Approved Duties

Decision

The Council:-

1. Adopted the current Standing Orders for meetings for the purpose of regulating the proceedings at Council and Committee meetings.
2. Requested the Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support to bring a report before the Council as necessary in relation to any revisions that may be required arising from any subsequent decisions of the Council at this meeting.
3. Adopted pro tem the current:
 - Scheme of Administration and Delegations
 - Financial and Security Regulations
 - Contract Standing Orders
 - Ethical Framework
 - Scheme of Approved Duties

all as outlined in the Council Constitution previously provided to all Elected Members from the following link: <https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/constitution>

4. Further requested the Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support to implement the decisions that the Council takes subsequently at this meeting, with particular

reference to the Council's Political Management Arrangements considered at item 10 on the agenda.

10. POLITICAL MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS

The Council gave consideration to a report which outlined the work undertaken by the Short Life Working Group on Political Management Arrangements and highlighted areas which were taken into consideration during discussions. The report also detailed the conclusions reached by the Short Life Working Group for consideration by the Council.

Motion

Argyll and Bute Council, 19th May 2022 - Item 10 - Motion - Political Management Arrangements

The Council:

1. Notes the recommendations of the Short Life Working Group (SLWG) on Political Management Arrangements and agrees that the current committee structure and remits will continue.
2. Notes the appointment of Policy Lead Councillors as set out in the table at Appendix 1.
3. Appoints the Administration members, Chairs and Vice Chairs of the following committees, as set out in the table at Appendix 2, noting that these appointments have, as appropriate, regard to the political balance of the Council:
 - Audit and Scrutiny - 3 Administration members
 - Community Services - 9 Administration members
 - Environment, Development and Infrastructure - 9 Administration members
 - Policy and Resources - 9 Administration members
 - Planning, Protective Services and Licensing - 8 Administration members nominated to Regulatory Cohort of 15
 - Argyll and Bute Harbour Board - 5 Administration members
 - Argyll Islands Sounding Board - 6 Administration members
4. Appoints the Chairs and Vice Chairs of the following committees: Bute and Cowal Area Committee; Helensburgh and Lomond Area Committee; Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Committee; Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Committee, as set out at Appendix 3.
5. Again having regard to political balance, invites the Leader of the SNP Group and the remaining non-Administration councillors to nominate members to sit on the following committees, noting that for the strategic committees this would constitute a 9-5-2 allocation (9 Administration, 5 SNP, 2 other)
 - Audit and Scrutiny - 3 spaces in total, and invites nomination for Vice-Chair to be notified to the Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support
 - Community Services - 7 spaces in total
 - Environment, Development and Infrastructure - 7 spaces in total
 - Policy and Resources - 7 spaces in total
 - Planning, Protective Services and Licensing - 7 spaces in total
 - Argyll and Bute Harbour Board - 3 spaces in total
 - Argyll Islands Sounding Board - 4 spaces in total
6. Appoints Cllr Maurice Corry as the council's Armed Forces Champion.
7. Appoints four area-based Children's Champions (who will also sit on the Argyll and Bute Corporate Parenting Board) as follows:
 - Bute and Cowal - invites nominations from the Opposition groups (Cllr Audrey Forrest)
 - Helensburgh and Lomond - Cllr Graham Hardie

- Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands - invites nominations from the Opposition groups (Cllr Dougie McFadzean)
 - Oban, Lorn and the Isles - Cllr Amanda Hampsey
8. Agrees that Cllr Robin Currie and Cllr John McAlpine will join the CPP Management Committee.
 9. Agrees the amended Programme of Meetings attached as Appendix 4.
 10. Requests that the Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support implements these, and any other related decisions, that the Council takes subsequently at this meeting, including arrangements for a schedule of meetings.

Appendix 1 - Policy Lead Councillor Appointments

Name	Policy Lead Role	Depute Policy Lead
Cllr Kieron Green	Planning and Regulatory Services	Cllr Amanda Hampsey
Cllr Amanda Hampsey	Care Services	Cllr Kieron Green
Cllr Andrew Kain	Roads and Transport	Cllr Tommy Macpherson
Cllr Ross Moreland	Climate Change and Environment Services	Cllr Peter Wallace
Cllr John McAlpine	Community Planning and Corporate Services	Cllr Paul Kennedy
Cllr Robin Currie	Economy and Rural Growth	Cllr John McAlpine
Cllr Gary Mulvaney	Finance and Commercial Services	Cllr William Sinclair
Cllr Yvonne McNeilly	Education	Cllr Daniel Hampsey
Cllr Liz McCabe	Islands and Business Development	Cllr Graham Hardie

Appendix 2 - Membership of Committees

Community Services	Environment, Development and Infrastructure	Policy and Resources	Planning, Protective Services and Licensing
Cllr Yvonne McNeilly (Chair)	Cllr Robin Currie (Chair)	Cllr Robin Currie (Chair)	Cllr Kieron Green (Chair)
Cllr Daniel Hampsey (Vice Chair)	Cllr Andrew Kain (Vice Chair)	Cllr Gary Mulvaney (Vice Chair)	Cllr Amanda Hampsey (Vice Chair)
Cllr Paul Kennedy	Cllr John McAlpine	Cllr Kieron Green	Cllr Andrew Kain
Cllr Andrew Kain	Cllr Ross Moreland	Cllr Amanda Hampsey	Cllr Graham Hardie
Cllr Gemma Penfold	Cllr Andrew Vennard	Cllr Andrew Kain	Cllr Liz McCabe
Cllr Garret Corner	Cllr Tommy Macpherson	Cllr Ross Moreland	Cllr Paul Kennedy
Cllr Graham Hardie	Cllr Peter Wallace	Cllr John McAlpine	Cllr Peter Wallace
Cllr Liz McCabe	Cllr Garret Corner	Cllr Yvonne McNeilly	Cllr Daniel Hampsey
Cllr Amanda Hampsey	Cllr William Sinclair	Cllr Liz McCabe	
Audit and Scrutiny	Argyll and Bute Harbour Board	Argyll Islands Sounding Board	
Cllr Andrew Vennard	Cllr Andrew Kain (Chair)	Cllr Liz McCabe (Chair)	
Cllr Daniel Hampsey	Cllr Ross Moreland (Vice Chair)	Cllr Robin Currie (Vice Chair)	
Cllr Graham Hardie	Cllr Andrew Vennard	Cllr Peter Wallace	
	Cllr John McAlpine	Cllr Amanda Hampsey	

	Cllr Garret Corner	Cllr Kieron Green	
		Cllr Andrew Kain	

Appendix 3 - Area Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs

Area Committee	Chair	Vice Chair
Bute and Cowal	Cllr Liz McCabe	Cllr Yvonne McNeilly
Helensburgh and Lomond	Cllr Gemma Penfold	Cllr Gary Mulvaney
Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands	Cllr John McAlpine	Cllr Robin Currie
Oban, Lorn and the Isles	Cllr Andrew Kain	Cllr Kieron Green

Moved by Councillor Robin Currie seconded by Councillor Gary Mulvaney.

Amendment

To accept the Motion by Councillor Robin Currie, seconded by Councillor Gary Mulvaney, subject to amending the schedule of meetings of area committees to bi-monthly and for business days to be arranged as and when required, subject to a further report being brought back to Council by the Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support.

Moved by Councillor Donald Kelly, seconded by Councillor Fiona Howard.

The Leader of the SNP Group and the remaining non-Administration Councillors tabled their nominations for Members to sit on the Councils Committees.

The Provost adjourned the meeting at 11.45am for 5 minutes and re-convened at 11.50am.

Councillor Reeni Kennedy-Boyle left the meeting at this point in the proceedings.

As the meeting was being held on a hybrid virtual basis the vote required to be taken by calling the Roll and Members voted as follows –

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Councillor Moreland
Councillor Mulvaney
Councillor Penfold
Councillor Sinclair
Councillor Vennard
Councillor Wallace

Amendment

Councillor Armour
Councillor Blair
Councillor Brown
Councillor Campbell-Sturgess
Councillor Forrest
Councillor Howard
Councillor Hume
Councillor Irvine
Councillor Kelly
Councillor Lynch
Councillor Martin
Councillor MacQuire
Councillor McFadzean
Councillor Paterson
Councillor Philand

Decision

The Motion was carried by 19 votes to 15 and the Council resolved accordingly. Full Membership of the Councils Committees are detailed below.

Community Services	Environment, Development and Infrastructure	Policy and Resources	Planning, Protective Services and Licensing
Cllr Yvonne McNeilly (Chair)	Cllr Robin Currie (Chair)	Cllr Robin Currie (Chair)	Cllr Kieron Green (Chair)
Cllr Daniel Hampsey (Vice Chair)	Cllr Andrew Kain (Vice Chair)	Cllr Gary Mulvaney (Vice Chair)	Cllr Amanda Hampsey (Vice Chair)
Cllr Paul Kennedy	Cllr John McAlpine	Cllr Kieron Green	Cllr Andrew Kain
Cllr Andrew Kain	Cllr Ross Moreland	Cllr Amanda Hampsey	Cllr Graham Hardie
Cllr Gemma Penfold	Cllr Andrew Vennard	Cllr Andrew Kain	Cllr Liz McCabe
Cllr Garret Corner	Cllr Tommy Macpherson	Cllr Ross Moreland	Cllr Paul Kennedy
Cllr Graham Hardie	Cllr Peter Wallace	Cllr John McAlpine	Cllr Peter Wallace
Cllr Liz McCabe	Cllr Garret Corner	Cllr Yvonne McNeilly	Cllr Daniel Hampsey
Cllr Amanda Hampsey	Cllr William Sinclair	Cllr Liz McCabe	Cllr Audrey Forrest
Cllr Audrey Forrest	Cllr Jim Lynch	Cllr Audrey Forrest	Cllr Jan Brown
Cllr Iain Shonny Paterson	Cllr John Armour	Cllr Jim Lynch	Cllr John Armour
Cllr Gordon Blair	Cllr Ian MacQuire	Cllr Reeni Kennedy-Boyle	Cllr Fiona Howard
Cllr Julie McKenzie	Cllr Jan Brown	Cllr Willie Hume	Cllr Mark Irvine
Cllr Math Campbell-Sturgess	Cllr Mark Irvine	Cllr Gordon Blair	Cllr Luna Martin
Cllr Dougie McFadzean	Cllr Donald Kelly	Cllr Dougie Philand	Cllr Willie Hume
Cllr Dougie Philand	Cllr Luna Martin	Cllr Fiona Howard	
Audit and Scrutiny	Argyll and Bute Harbour Board	Argyll Islands Sounding Board	
Cllr Andrew Vennard	Cllr Andrew Kain (Chair)	Cllr Liz McCabe (Chair)	
Cllr Daniel Hampsey	Cllr Ross Moreland (Vice Chair)	Cllr Robin Currie (Vice Chair)	

Cllr Graham Hardie	Cllr Andrew Vennard	Cllr Peter Wallace	
Cllr Jim Lynch (Vice Chair)	Cllr John McAlpine	Cllr Amanda Hampsey	
Cllr Reeni Kennedy-Boyle	Cllr Garret Corner	Cllr Kieron Green	
Cllr Mark Irvine	Cllr Jim Lynch	Cllr Andrew Kain	
	Cllr John Armour	Cllr Jim Lynch	
	Cllr Ian MacQuire	Cllr Julie McKenzie	
		Cllr Dougie McFadzean	
		Cllr Reeni Kennedy-Boyle	

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support dated 10 May 2022, submitted)

11. COUNCILLORS' REMUNERATION SCHEME

The Council gave consideration to Councillors remuneration in respect of the Provost, Leader and other Senior Councillor positions.

Decision

The Council:

1. Noted that remuneration levels for the Provost and Leader as set out by the Local Government (Scotland) Act 2004 (Remuneration) Amendment Regulations 2022, as amended, are as follows:
 - Provost - £29,361
 - Leader - £39,148
2. Agreed that the annual remuneration for a Policy Lead Councillor and Area Committee Chair be set at £29,361 and £23,448, in line with the approach taken in previous Council terms, and notes that, in the event that the same member holds more than one of these positions, that member will receive the higher amount only in respect of the relevant position.
3. Agreed that any future annual percentage increase in Policy Lead Councillor or Area Committee Chair remuneration shall be the same as that determined by regulations for the basic allowances.
4. Proposed that a salary of £23,448, commensurate with the Area Chair remuneration, be provided to the Leader of the largest Opposition Group.

(Ref: Remuneration document dated 5 May 2022, submitted)

12. APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT CHAIRPERSON OF AUDIT & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

The Council considered a report which outlined the position with respect to the appointment of an independent Chair of the Audit & Scrutiny Committee.

Decision

- a) Agreed to extend the appointment of Martin Caldwell until the 31st March 2023 to chair the Audit and Scrutiny Committee.
- b) Agreed to delegate responsibility for instigating a recruitment process for a new independent chair to the Chief Executive and Executive Directors in consultation with the Leader of the Council, the Depute Leader of the Council and the Leader of the largest Opposition Group.
- c) Noted that any final decision on appointment to the position of Chairperson will be a matter for Council.

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support dated 12 May 2022, submitted)

13. APPOINTMENT OF PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE PROMOTION OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Council gave consideration to a report which provided them with information about the appointment of 3 persons interested in the promotion of religious education to any Committee of the Council to which the functions of the Council as education authority are delegated.

Decision

The Council:-

1. Confirmed the appointment of Reverend Sandy MacPherson as a member of the relevant Committee (as nominated by Church of Scotland's Faith Impact Forum).
2. Confirmed the appointment of Margaret Anderson as a member of the relevant Committee (as nominated by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Argyll and the Isles).
3. Continue to seek a nomination to be a member of the relevant Committee from the Scottish Episcopal Church Diocese of Argyll & the Isles.
4. Noted that the appointment of the 3 persons is conditional on the terms and requirements of the Councillors Code applying to those appointments.

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support dated 10 May 2022, submitted)

14. CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF TEACHER REPRESENTATIVES

The Council gave consideration to a report which advised them of a discretion to appoint up to 2 representatives of teaching staff to any Committee to which the Council delegates any of its functions as education authority. The Council was invited to consider whether they wished to appoint 2 teacher representatives, as non-voting members, to such a Committee.

Decision

The Council agreed to appoint as non-voting members, 2 teacher representatives and invited the Executive Director with responsibility for Education Services to make the necessary arrangements and report back to any Committee the Council establishes, with delegated powers to that Committee to appoint the persons nominated to the Committee.

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Education Services dated 10 May 2022, submitted)

15. APPOINT MEMBERS OF STATUTORY BOARDS/JOINT COMMITTEES

Consideration was given to a report which set out a list of statutory boards and joint committees on which the Council is represented and to which it has a requirement to make appointments. The Council was invited to consider the appointments it wished to make to such statutory boards and joint committees.

Decision

The Council appointed the Council's representatives to Statutory Bodies and Joint Committees as set out in the table below:

<u>Organisation</u>	<u>Representative/s</u>	<u>Substitute/s</u>
Scotland Excel	Councillor Sinclair	Councillor Mulvaney
Dunbartonshire and Argyll and Bute Valuation Joint Board	Councillor Hardie Councillor Kennedy Councillor Wallace Councillor Paterson Councillor MacQuire	Councillor D Hampsey Councillor Corner Councillor McNeilly Councillor Blair Councillor Campbell-Sturgess
Highlands and Islands Integrated Transport Partnership (HITRANS)	Councillor Kain	Councillor Currie
Strathclyde Concessionary Travel Scheme Joint Committee	Councillor Sinclair	Councillor Hardie
Strathclyde Partnership for Transport and Strathclyde Passenger Transport Authority	Councillor Sinclair	Councillor Hardie
West of Scotland European Forum	Councillor McAlpine	Councillor Sinclair
Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Integration Joint Board (IJB)	Councillor Mulvaney Councillor Green Councillor A Hampsey Councillor Philand	

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support dated 10 May 2022, submitted)

16. APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE LICENSING BOARD

Consideration was given to a report which invited the Council to appoint members to a Licensing Board as required by the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005.

Decision

The Council appointed the following Administration members of the Regulatory Cohort to the Argyll and Bute Licensing Board:

Councillor Amanda Hampsey
Councillor Paul Kennedy
Councillor Kieron Green
Councillor Graham Hardie
Councillor Liz McCabe

The Opposition Groups nominations to the Licensing Board will be provided to the Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support in due course.

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support dated 11 May 2022, submitted)

17. CONVENTION OF SCOTTISH LOCAL AUTHORITIES

The Council considered a report inviting them to make 3 appointments to the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA) and to make nominations for the President and Vice President of COSLA.

Decision

The Council:

1. Appointed Cllr Robin Currie and Cllr Daniel Hampsey to represent the Council on COSLA Convention.
2. The SNP Group, as the largest opposition group, nominated Cllr Jim Lynch to fulfil the Council's allocation of three representatives, reflecting the Council's political balance, on COSLA Convention.
3. Noted that Cllr Robin Currie will represent the Council on the COSLA Leaders Group.
4. Appointed the following to COSLA's Policy Boards:
 - a) COSLA Environment and Economy Board - Cllr Ross Moreland
 - b) COSLA Community Wellbeing Board - Cllr Kieron Green
 - c) COSLA Children and Young People Board - Cllr Yvonne McNeilly
 - d) COSLA Health and Social Care Board - Cllr Amanda Hampsey
5. Agrees to take no action in relation to nominations for COSLA's President and Vice President.

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support dated 10 May 2022, submitted)

18. APPOINTMENTS OF OUTSIDE BODIES

The Council gave consideration to a report which invited them to make appointments to various outside bodies and organisations.

Motion

The Council:

1. Appoints the Council's representatives to outside bodies and organisations as set out in the table at Appendix 1.
2. Invites members of the Opposition groups to nominate representatives to the following:
 - Argyll Community Housing Association - one representative (Cllr Jan Brown)
 - Live Argyll Board - one representative (Cllr Ian MacQuire)
 - Isle of Bute BID Board - one representative (Cllr Reeni Kennedy-Boyle)
 - Scottish Islands Federation - one representative (Cllr Dougie McFadzean)
 - A83 Taskforce - two representatives (Cllrs Ian Paterson and Donald Kelly)
 - Clyde, Kintyre and the Islands Ferry Stakeholder Group - two representatives (Cllrs John Armour and Dougie McFadzean)
 - Argyll, Lochaber, Skye and Small Isles Ferry Stakeholder Group - two representatives (Cllrs Jim Lynch and Julie McKenzie)
3. Requests that the Governance team prepare reports for the first meetings of each Area Committee outlining details of area-based outside bodies to which committees may wish to make appointments.

Appendix 1 - Appointments to Outside Bodies

Organisation	Representative/s and status
NHS Highland Board	Cllr Garret Corner
University of the Highlands and Islands Foundation Committee	Cllr Yvonne McNeilly
SOILLSE National Network for Gaelic Research Consultative Committee	Cllr Robin Currie
Ionaid Chalum Chille - Gaelic Centre, Islay	Cllr Robin Currie
PA23BID Board (Dunoon)	Cllr Ross Moreland
Isle of Bute BID Board	One representative
Nadair Trust (Scottish Natural Heritage)	Cllr Kieron Green
Argyll and Bute Local Biodiversity Partnership	Cllr Kieron Green
Argyll, Lomond and the Islands Energy Agency (ALIEnergy) Management Board	Cllr Garret Corner Cllr Ross Moreland
Argyll and Bute Renewables Alliance (ABRA)	Cllr Robin Currie
Argyll and the Isles Coast and Countryside Trust	Cllr Ross Moreland - representative Cllr Peter Wallace - substitute
Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park Authority Board	Cllr William Sinclair Cllr Graham Hardie
Scottish Liaison Group on Radioactive Waste Management	Cllr Ross Moreland
Scottish Councils Committee on Radioactive Substances	Cllr Ross Moreland
West of Scotland Archaeology Service Joint Committee	Cllr Ross Moreland - representative Cllr Peter Wallace - substitute
Clyde Marine Planning Partnership	Cllr Kieron Green
Clyde and Lomond Local Plan Flood District	Cllr Daniel Hampsey
Highland and Argyll Local Plan Flood District	Cllr Andrew Kain
Argyll and Bute Care and Repair Agency	Cllr Graham Hardie Cllr Garret Corner
Fyne Homes Group	Cllr Liz McCabe
Argyll Community Housing Association	Cllr Tommy Macpherson Cllr Andrew Vennard

	One representative from Opposition groups
Argyll and Bute Area Support Team	Cllr Amanda Hampsey
Argyll and Bute Culture and Heritage Assembly (CHARTS)	Cllr Ross Moreland
Live Argyll Board (Argyll and Bute Leisure and Libraries Trust)	Cllr John McAlpine Cllr Tommy Macpherson Cllr Maurice Corry One representative from Opposition groups
Convention of the Highlands and Islands	Cllr Robin Currie
Scottish Islands Federation	Cllr Liz McCabe One representative from Opposition groups
Islands Strategic Group	Cllr Robin Currie
Scottish Government Forum Against Poverty	Cllr Graham Hardie
Association for Public Service Excellence (APSE)	Cllr Andrew Kain
A83 Taskforce	Cllr Robin Currie Cllr Andrew Kain Cllr Maurice Corry Two representatives from Opposition groups
Clyde, Kintyre and Islands Ferry Stakeholder Group	Cllr Robin Currie Cllr Liz McCabe Two representatives from Opposition groups
Argyll, Lochaber, Skye and Small Isles Ferry Stakeholder Group	Cllr Andrew Kain Two representatives from Opposition groups
Northern Roads Collaboration	Cllr Andrew Kain Cllr Tommy Macpherson
Trustee to the Scottish National War Memorial	Cllr Maurice Corry

Moved by Councillor Robin Currie seconded by Councillor Gary Mulvaney.

Amendment

To accept the Motion by Councillor Robin Currie, seconded by Councillor Gary Mulvaney, subject to amending the appointments of the following outside bodies –

NHS Highland Board – substitute Cllr Garret Corner for Cllr Dougie Philand
Argyll and Bute Renewables Alliance (ABRA) – substitute Cllr Robin Currie for Cllr Mark Irvine
Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park Authority Board – substitute Cllr Graham Hardie for Cllr Iain Shonny Paterson

Moved by Councillor Jim Lynch seconded by Councillor Mark Irvine.

As the meeting was being held on a hybrid virtual basis the vote required to be taken by calling the Roll and Members voted as follows –

Motion

Councillor Corner
Councillor Corry
Councillor Currie

Amendment

Councillor Armour
Councillor Blair
Councillor Brown

Councillor Green
Councillor A Hampsey
Councillor D Hamspey
Councillor Hardie
Councillor Kennedy
Councillor MacPherson
Councillor McAlpine
Councillor McCabe
Councillor McNeilly
Councillor Moreland
Councillor Mulvaney
Councillor Penfold
Councillor Sinclair
Councillor Vennard
Councillor Wallace

Councillor Campbell-Sturgess
Councillor Forrest
Councillor Howard
Councillor Hume
Councillor Irvine
Councillor Kane
Councillor Kelly
Councillor Lynch
Councillor Martin
Councillor MacQuire
Councillor McFadzean
Councillor Paterson
Councillor Philand

Decision

The Motion was carried by 18 votes to 16 and the Council resolved accordingly.

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support dated 5 May 2022, submitted)

19. EMPLOYEE JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

The Council gave consideration to a report which invited them to reappoint the Employee Joint Consultative Committee and to appoint Members to the Committee.

Decision

The Council agreed:-

The Council:

1. Noted the Constitution of the Employee Joint Consultative Committee, attached at Appendix 1;
2. Confirmed that the membership of the EJCC will comprise the following:
 - Cllr Robin Currie, Leader of the Council
 - Policy Lead Councillors:
 - Cllr Kieron Green
 - Cllr Amanda Hampsey
 - Cllr Andrew Kain
 - Cllr Ross Moreland
 - Cllr John McAlpine
 - Cllr Gary Mulvaney
 - Cllr Yvonne McNeilly
 - Cllr Liz McCabe
 - Cllr Jim Lynch, Leader of the SNP, the largest Opposition Group

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support dated 5 May 2022, submitted)

20. LOCAL NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE FOR TEACHERS

The Council gave consideration to a report which invited them to reappoint the Local Negotiating Committee for Teachers and to appoint Members to the Committee.

Decision

The Council:-

1. Noted the terms of reference and reappointed the Local Negotiating Committee for Teachers, comprising three elected members, to negotiate certain conditions of service and other local matters related to the organisation of the Education Service.
2. Appointed the following elected members to the Committee:
 - Policy Lead for Education – Cllr Yvonne McNeilly
 - Depute Policy Lead for Education – Cllr Daniel Hampsey
 - Policy Lead for HR – Cllr John McAlpine

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support dated 5 May 2022, submitted)

21. COMMON GOOD FUNDS

Consideration was given to a report which provided the Council with information relating to the administration of Common Good Funds and which invited them to appoint members to serve as trustees on the funds relating to Campbeltown, Dunoon, Rothesay, Lochgilphead and Oban.

Decision

The Council agreed:-

In respect of the Campbeltown, Dunoon, Rothesay and Lochgilphead Common Good Funds the members for the South Kintyre, Dunoon, Isle of Bute and Mid Argyll wards, respectively, form the panel of Common Good Fund Trustees for each;

In respect of the Oban Common Good Fund, that the Council appoint 2 members from those members elected within the Oban South and the Isles and 2 members from those members elected within the Oban North and Lorn wards to form the panel of Common Good Fund Trustees;

Councillors Kain, Green, Lynch and Martin.

That each panel of Common Good Fund Trustees make all decisions in regard to financial matters relating to those Common Good Funds, including advice and investments from the Head of Financial Services or the relevant independent financial adviser to the funds, and the determination of applications for financial assistance.

Agrees that the Council continues the delegation to the Executive Director with responsibility for Governance (or their representative) referred to in paragraph 3.5 of the submitted report.

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support dated 10 May 2022, submitted)

22. APPOINTMENT PANEL - RECRUITMENT OF HEAD OF FINANCIAL SERVICES

The Council considered a report which invited the Council to establish an Appointments Panel to appoint to the post of Head of Financial Services.

Decision

The Council:-

1. Agreed to establish an Appointments Panel for the recruitment to the post of Head of Financial Services.
2. Agreed to appoint Councillors Currie, Mulvaney and Lynch as the substantive Members of the Appointments Panel and Councillors Green, McCabe and Irvine as the substitutes.

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support dated 5 May 2022, submitted)

23. REVIEW OF SCHEME FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMUNITY COUNCILS

The Council gave consideration to a report which sought a decision with regard to the timing of the next review of the Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils in Argyll and Bute.

Decision

The Council agreed to the changes proposed within Appendix 1 of the submitted report and that these changes form the basis of an 8 week, phase two consultation with community councils, and the public.

(Ref: Report by the Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support dated 10 May 2022, submitted)

24. UK LEVELLING UP FUND

The Council considered a report which sought to adjust the Levelling Up Fund Bids, following on from the update provided in February 2022, and the Members Seminar in March 2022.

Decision

The Council approved:-

1. The removal of the Active Travel Route for Helensburgh to Dumbarton Cyclepath due to the inability to meet Levelling Up Fund delivery deadlines, but note that officers continue to pursue this option via other funding opportunities.
2. The removal of the Active Travel Route from Kennacraig to Tarbert, due to the inability to meet Levelling Up Fund delivery deadlines, but note that officers continue to pursue this option via other funding opportunities.

(Ref: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Infrastructure dated 10 May 2022, submitted)