1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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2.0 INTRODUCTION

2.1 This report is intended to provide information to the Council about its composition in terms of the formation of groups of Councillors following the election on 4 May 2017. Further updated information may be tabled at the Council Meeting. Members should note that written notification should be given to the Executive Director of Customer Services as soon as possible after the Election and in any event before the Council Meeting as to the Membership of any groups which may have been formed.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 The Council is invited to note the terms of the report.

4.0 DETAIL

4.1 The Council’s current constitution provides for the allocation of the seats on Strategic Committees and it is a matter for the Council to determine the composition and political balance (with the exception of the current Area Committees).

4.2 At the date of this report the composition of groups on the Council is as follows, subject to final notification to the Executive Director of Customer Services from the Groups:-

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<tr>
<th>Group</th>
<th>No. of Members</th>
<th>% of Total Members</th>
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<tr>
<td>Independent Councillors</td>
<td>10</td>
<td>28%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Scottish Conservative and Unionist</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>25%</td>
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<td>Scottish Liberal Democrats</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>17%</td>
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<td>Scottish National Party</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>30%</td>
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4.3 Any decisions that the Council takes in respect of items 9(Council Constitution) and 10(Political Management Arrangements) will determine or may have an implication for the allocation of seats on any Committee or other body of the Council.

4.4 Membership of the groups is detailed at Appendix 1.

5.0 CONCLUSION

5.1 Elected Members are invited to note the composition of the Council following the Election on 4 May 2017. Members should note that written notification should be given to the Executive Director of Customer Services as soon as possible after the Election and in any event before the Council Meeting as to the membership of any groups which may have been formed and consequently further updated information may be tabled at the Council Meeting.

6.0 IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Policy – none
6.2 Financial – none
6.3 Legal – none
6.4 HR – none
6.5 Equalities – none
6.6 Risk – none
6.7 Customer Service - none

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Appendix 1: Argyll and Bute Council - Political Composition
# Argyll and Bute Council

## Political Composition

### INDEPENDENT (10)
- Jim Anderson
- Mary-Jean Devon
- George Freeman
- Kieron Green
- Donald MacMillan
- Roddy McCuish
- Jean Murray Moffat
- Douglas Philand
- Elaine Robertson
- Len Scoullar

### SCOTTISH CONSERVATIVE AND UNIONIST (9)
- Bobby Good
- Donald Kelly
- David Kinniburgh
- Jamie McGrigor
- Yvonne McNeilly
- Barbara Morgan
- Gary Mulvaney
- Alastair Redman
- Andrew Vennard

### SCOTTISH LIBERAL DEMOCRATS (6)
- Rory Colville
- Robin Currie
- Graham Archibald Hardie
- Aileen Morton
- Ellen Morton
- Alan Reid

### SCOTTISH NATIONAL PARTY (11)
- John Armour
- William Gordon Blair
- Lorna Douglas
- Jim Findlay
- Audrey E Forrest
- Anne Horn
- Jim Lynch
- Julie McKenzie
- Iain Shonny Paterson
- Sandy Taylor
- Richard Trail