

POLITICAL MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 The previous Council agreed at its meeting held on 21 April 2016 to establish a Short Life Working Group (SLWG) which would review the current Political Management Arrangements and work to make recommendations on future arrangements which would be presented to the final meeting of Council and then given to the new Council for consideration.

1.2 The recommendations from the Short Life Working Group were presented to the Council meeting of 20th April 2017, where the following was agreed:-

“The Council agreed to refer the findings of the Short Life Working Group on Political Management Arrangements to the first meeting of the new Council for consideration”

1.3 The report which was presented to Council is attached and provides an outline of the work undertaken by the Short Life Working Group, and highlights the areas which have been taken into consideration during the discussions. It also provides the conclusions reached by that Short Life Working Group for consideration by Council.

Recommendations

1.4 Council is invited to

- (a) Consider recommendation from Council and report by Short Life Working Group on Political Management Arrangements and, if so resolved, proceed to establish Political Management Arrangements.
- (b) Appoint the Members and Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Various Committees subject to decisions taken at Item 10a above.
- (c) Instruct the Executive Director - Customer Services to implement the decisions to be taken at Item 10a above and to report to the Council with a revised Scheme of Administration and Delegations as necessary.
- (d) Agree an initial programme of meetings:

Planning, Protective Services and Licensing Committee - 21 June 2017
Council - 29 June 2017

Audit Committee - 30 June 2017

Area Committee Development Days –

- Bute and Cowal – Tuesday 13 June 2017
- Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands – Wednesday 14 June 2017
- Helensburgh and Lomond – Monday 19 June 2017
- Oban, Lorn and the Isles – Monday 26 June 2017

- (e) Instruct the Executive Director - Customer Services to prepare a programme of meetings in light of the decisions at item 10 above.

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Appendix 1 – Recommendations from Short Life Working Group on Political Management Arrangements Report and Appendices