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<b>OUTSIDE BODY/ORGANISATION</b>	<b>NO OF APPOINTMENTS PREVIOUSLY MADE</b>	<b>LENGTH/TERM OF APPOINTMENT</b>	<b>VALUE OF MEMBERSHIP TO THE COUNCIL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>HEALTH</b>				
<b>NHS Highland Board</b>	1 nomination	Until the next election	Essential	Accountable to the Secretary of State
<b>NHS Highland Health and Wellbeing Partnership</b>	1 nomination	Until the next election	Desirable	
<b>EDUCATION</b>				
<b>University of the Highlands and Islands Foundation Committee</b>	1 representative	Until the next election	Essential	The UHI Project was established in 1992 with the aim of creating a university which would reach the smallest communities in remote regions. In 2001 the project was designated as a higher education institute and currently has around 5,000 students throughout the Highlands and Islands, offering over 100 undergraduate and postgraduate courses.

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<p><b>SOILLSE National Network for Gaelic Research – Consultative Committee</b></p>	<p>1 representative</p>	<p>Until the next election</p>	<p>Essential</p>	<p>Recently established project which aims to provide an enhanced research capacity to inform public policy towards the maintenance and revitalisation of the Gaelic language and culture. Committee will meet once per year.</p>
<p><b>ENTERPRISE/ECONOMY</b></p>				
<p><b>Stramash Board</b></p>	<p>2 representatives</p>	<p>Until the next election</p>	<p>Desirable</p>	
<p><b>PA23BID Board</b></p>	<p>1 representative (director)</p>	<p>Until the next election</p>	<p>Desirable</p>	<p>In accordance with PA23 BID proposal and BID Business Plan. 1 Director to be an elected member nominated from Argyll and Bute Council, 10 directors elected by businesses in Dunoon; plus Strathclyde Police but only as observer with no voting rights.</p>

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<b>RURAL/ENVIRONMENTAL</b>				
<b>Argyll &amp; Bute Local Biodiversity Partnership</b>	1 representative	Until the next election	Desirable	This has a membership of 31 organisations and a number of individuals which monitors the Local Biodiversity Action Plan. The plan seeks to manage and conserve our wealth of habitats and species which are under threat
<b>Argyll, Lomond and The Islands Energy Agency – Management Board</b>	2 nominations	Until the next election	Desirable	Alienergy dedicated to both increasing energy efficiency and the energy derived from renewable resources. A non profit making organisation which offers free and impartial energy advice to all sectors within the area.
<b>Argyll and Bute Renewables Alliance (ABRA)</b>	1 representative	Until the next election	Desirable	Brings together key public and private sector partners to

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				ensure greater awareness of issues around renewable development in the area, and to assist in the delivery of the Renewable Energy Action Plan
<b>Argyll and Bute Agriculture Forum</b>	2 representatives	Until the next election	Desirable	Set up in 1999 to raise awareness of agricultural issues across Argyll and Bute; act as forum for discussion about agricultural issues; promote sustainable development of agriculture; and create unique opportunities for all agencies with an interest in land use sectors to work together.
<b>Argyll and the Isles Coast and Countryside Trust</b>	1 representative	Until the next election	Desirable	
<b>Argyll and the Isles Strategic Tourism Partnership</b>	1 representative	Until the next election	Essential	Has equal standing to the Agricultural Forum and

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				Alienergy.
<b>KIMO (Kommuners International Kiljorganisation)</b>	1 representative	Until the next election	Desirable	Campaigns on marine pollution issues affecting coastal communities, exchanging information on effective pollution prevention, clean up operations and sustainable development. It currently has 128 members from 10 European communities and lobbies national Governments, the European Commission and others to take effective actions on issues affecting Northern Seas.
<b>Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park Authority Board</b>	2 nominees	Until the next election	Essential	Has 17 members appointed by Scottish Executive. Its purpose is to deliver the 4

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				<p>statutory aims of the National Park in a collective and coordinated way. Aims: to conserve and enhance the natural and cultural heritage; promote sustainable use of natural resources of area; promote understanding and enjoyment of special qualities of area; and promote sustainable social and economic development of the communities of the area.</p>
<p><b>Scottish Liaison Group on Radioactive Waste Management</b></p>	<p>1 representative</p>	<p>Until the next election</p>	<p>Desirable</p>	<p>To provide a mechanism to identify a common, Scottish local authority viewpoint on radioactive waste management issues; to act as an interface with the Scottish Executive, Scottish Parliament and regulatory</p>

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				bodies as they consult on radioactive waste management and clean-up policy and practice; and to influence national policy on radioactive waste management in the interests of the communities affected
<b>Scottish Councils' Committee on Radioactive Substances</b>	1 representative	Until the next election	Desirable	Aims to give factual advice to Scottish local governments on radiation and radioactive waste matters.
<b>West of Scotland Archaeology Service Joint Committee</b>	1 representative 1 substitute	Until the next election	Desirable	The Service provides information and advice to the Planning Departments and other services of the twelve WoSAS Councils
<b>Argyll Marine SAC Forum</b>	2 representatives, one of which chairs the Forum	Until the next election	Essential	The Argyll Marine SAC Management Forum brings together organisations with an interest in the

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				activities that have the potential to impact on the conservation of each marine SAC site and the management of these activities in a sustainable manner.
<b>Argyll and Bute Economic Forum</b>	2 representatives	Until the next election	Essential	Set up by the Council, with private sector representatives.
<b>A83 Taskforce</b>	4 representatives	Until the next election	Essential	Set up in August 2012 to provide leadership and direction, and ensure the delivery of an emergency diversion route and the wider study into the permanent solution to landslides at the Rest and be Thankful.
<b>SOCIAL (INCLUDING ARTS AND LEISURE)</b>				
<b>Argyll &amp; Bute Care &amp; Repair Agency</b>	2 representatives	Until the next election	Desirable	Argyll & Bute Care & Repair (ABCR) is part of a nationwide network of organisations to

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				help the elderly and/or disabled in the private sector remain in their homes in the community by helping with repair, maintenance, improvement or adaptation.
<b>Fyne Homes Group</b>	1 representative	Until the next election	Essential	Registered Social Landlord across Argyll and Bute.
<b>Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA)</b>	3 substantive representatives	Until the next election	Essential	ACHA is a community led housing association that manages all 5,800 Council properties across Argyll and Bute as well as delivering associated housing services.
<b>STRATEGIC/FINANCE</b>				
<b>The Convention of the Highlands and Islands</b>	1 representative (usually Leader) 1 substitute	Until the next election	Essential	The Convention is a meeting between the Executive and its main partner agencies, represented by the

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				Chairperson of each organisation. It is currently held twice yearly, and is hosted by a different local authority each time with the location alternating between a mainland and an island. The Convention is intended to strengthen co-ordination between member organisations, the Executive and other representative bodies to better inform the development and realisation of strategic economic, environmental, cultural and social justice objectives
<b>Programme Monitoring Committee (Highlands and Islands)</b>	1 representative (automatically Leader) 1 substitute	Ministerial appointment	Essential	Following the success of the 1994-99 Objective 1 Programme, the economy of the

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				<p>Highlands &amp; Islands has improved to such an extent that the region is no longer eligible for Objective 1. However, in recognition of the difficulties still being faced by this large, peripheral area, a special transitional programme has been put in place. The Programme Monitoring Committee was established to oversee the strategic implementation of the programme, and includes representatives from the regional bodies, the social partners, the Scottish Executive and the European Commission.</p>
<b>Scottish Islands Federation</b>	2 representatives	Until the next election	Desirable	The aim of the Scottish Islands Federation is to

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				promote, publicise and advance the interests of Scotland's islands.
<b>Islands Strategic Group</b>	1 representative (automatically Leader)	Ministerial appointment	Essential	Established in 2016 in light of the Scottish Government Islands Bill
<b>Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions &amp; CPMR Atlantic Arc Political Bureau</b>	1 representative	Until the next election		Objective of CPMR is to influence EU institutions and national governments to ensure its member's needs and interests are met, so that regions are taken into account in the development of policies which have a territorial impact. Further see report at Council meeting on 14 June 2012.
<b>Scottish Government Forum Against Poverty</b>	1 representative	Until the next election	Desirable	Forum operating since 1996 and is a cross party network of Scottish local authority elected Members with a specific interest in anti-poverty,

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				<p>inequality and social justice and to develop and shore “good practice” in anti-poverty strategy development amongst its Members. Meets 6 times per year. Cost to Councils of annual membership to the Forum is £10 per 1,000 people within local pop up to a max of £3,750.</p>
<p><b>Association for Public Service Excellence (APSE)</b></p>	<p>1 representative</p>	<p>Until the next election</p>	<p>Desirable</p>	<p>Is a not for profit local government body working with over 300 councils throughout the UK. It promotes excellence in public services and is the foremost specialist in local authority front line services, housing a network for front line service providers in areas such as waste and refuse collection,</p>

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				<p>parks and environmental services, leisure, school meals, cleaning, housing and building maintenance.</p>
<p><b>Argyll and Bute Leisure and Libraries Trust</b></p>	<p>3 representatives</p>	<p>Until the next election</p>	<p>Essential</p>	<p>Charitable trust established to deliver leisure and library services in Argyll and Bute.</p>
<p><b>Business Loans Scotland</b></p>	<p>1 representative (Director)</p>	<p>Until the next election</p>	<p>Essential</p>	<p>Set up in 2016 and replaces the West of Scotland Loan Fund.</p>
<p><b>TRANSPORT</b></p>				
<p><b>Clyde Ferry User Group</b></p>	<p>3 representatives</p>	<p>Until the next election</p>	<p>Essential</p>	<p>These groups deal with operational and some strategic issues arising from the ferry services operating in these areas.</p>
<p><b>Argyll Ferry User Group</b></p>	<p>4 representatives</p>	<p>Until the next election</p>	<p>Essential</p>	<p>As above</p>
<p><b>Raasay, Skye, Small Isles, Ardnamurchan &amp; Mull Ferry User Group</b></p>	<p>1 representative</p>	<p>Until the next election</p>	<p>Essential</p>	<p>As above</p>

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<b>(Hebrides)</b>				
<b>West of Scotland Road Safety Forum</b>	1 representative 1 substitute	Until the next election	Essential	Provides a co-ordinated, co-operative approach to all aspects of road safety provision. It is a partnership between 12 local authorities and Police Scotland. Each authority takes turn to chair the forum – this authority was chair for 2007/8.