## ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL

## CUSTOMER SERVICES

## APPOINTMENT TO HERMITAGE ACADEMY SCHOOL PARENT COUNCIL

## 1. SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to invite the Area Committee to consider the request made by the Chairperson of Hermitage Academy School Parent Council to appoint one of the Area Committee Members to become a coopted member of the Parent Council.

#### 2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 That the Area Committee consider the request from Hermitage Academy School Parent Council and decide what, if any, arrangements they wish to put in place.

#### 3. DETAIL

- 3.1 In April 2009 the Area Committee considered a report by the Area Corporate Service Manager following a request received from the Parent Council inviting the Council to appoint a representative to participate in their meetings.
- 3.2 At that meeting it was agreed to appoint 3 Councillors who would each serve for a one year period and each of whom would have a substitute member in the event that they were unable to attend. Should the Committee agree to appoint a representative to the Parent Council at this time, they may wish to consider putting in place a similar arrangement.
- 3.3 The previous appointments lapsed as of April 2012 and the Chairperson of the Parent Council has recently been in touch to establish who the current representative is. The advice was that this would require to be a decision reached by the Area Committee and a report was requested to invite the Committee to take this forward.

## 4. CONCLUSION

4.1 In light of the contact by the Chairperson of the Parent Council it is obvious that they valued the input from having Councillor representation on the Parent Council and the Committee are invited to consider the request to make an appointment.

# 5. IMPLICATIONS

Policy -	Accords with the Council's commitment to work in partnership with other organisations and agencies.
Financial –	Members will be entitled to claim any associated expenses connected to appointment to an outside body
Legal -	None
HR -	None
Equalities -	None
Risk -	None
Customer Service -	None

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