

POLITICAL MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 This report sets out the updated political composition of the Council, asks Council to make a nomination to the Regulatory Cohort and to appoint one Member to the Licensing Board.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Council is asked to:-
- (1) consider the updated political composition of the Council;
 - (2) nominate one Member to serve on the Regulatory Cohort; and
 - (3) appoint one Member to the Licensing Board from the Regulatory Cohort.

3.0 DETAIL

- 3.1 The updated Political Composition of the Council is provided at Appendix 1 and sets out political group membership and leadership.
- 3.2 Councillor Mark Irvine has advised that he is stepping down from the PPSL Committee (Regulatory Cohort) which will also leave a vacancy on the Licensing Board.

4.0 CONCLUSION

- 4.1 This report sets out the updated Political Composition of the Council, asks Council to nominate one Member to serve on the Regulatory cohort and to appoint one Member to the Licensing Board.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Policy – none
- 5.2 Financial – there may be additional costs associated with training of any new Licensing Board Member.
- 5.3 Legal – none
- 5.4 HR – none
- 5.5 Customer Service – none
- 5.6 Risk – none
- 5.7 Climate Change – none
- 5.8 Fairer Scotland Duty – none
- 5.9 Equalities Protected Characteristics – none
- 5.10 Consumer Duty – none
- 5.11 Island Communities – none
- 5.12 Children’s Rights and Wellbeing – none

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Executive Director with responsibility for Legal and Regulatory Support

Policy Lead - Councillor William Sinclair

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Appendix 1 – Updated political composition of the Council

Appendix 1 - Political Composition of Argyll and Bute Council

Argyll and Bute Council – Political Composition

ARGYLL FIRST (2)

Jennifer Kean (Ind)

Douglas Philand (Ind) (Leader of Argyll First) *

INDEPENDENT (8)

Kieron Green *

Mark Irvine *

Andrew Kain *

Tommy Macpherson

Ian James MacQuire

Liz McCabe

Julie McKenzie

Alastair Redman

REFORM UK (1)

Daniel Hampsey

SCOTTISH CONSERVATIVE AND UNIONIST (8)

Garret Corner

Maurice Corry (Depute Leader of the Scottish Conservative & Unionist Group)

Amanda Hampsey

Yvonne McNeilly

Gary Mulvaney

Gemma Penfold

Andrew Vennard

**Peter Wallace (Leader of the Scottish Conservative & Unionist Group
(and Leader of the Opposition))**

SCOTTISH GREEN PARTY (1)

Luna Martin*

SCOTTISH LABOUR PARTY (1)

Fiona Howard *

SCOTTISH LIBERAL DEMOCRATS (4)

Graham Hardie *

Paul Donald Kennedy *

Ross Moreland (Leader of Scottish Liberal Democrat Group) *

William Sinclair *

SCOTTISH NATIONAL PARTY (11)

John Armour (**Depute Leader of the SNP Group**) *

Gordon Blair *

Jan Brown *

Math Campbell-Sturgess *

Audrey E Forrest *

Anne Horn *

Willie Hume *

Reeni Kennedy Boyle *

Jim Lynch (Leader of the SNP Group) *

Dougie McFadzean *

Iain Shonny Paterson *

*** Member of the Administration Partnership**

Note:-

(Ind) - Independent