

The City of Edinburgh Council

10.05am, Thursday, 27 June 2019

Appointments to Committees, Outside Bodies etc

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1. Recommendation

- 1.1 To complete the membership of the new Policy and Sustainability Committee by appointing to its full membership of 17, to take effect from 5 August 2019.
- 1.2 To note that the Green Group has appointed Councillors Main and Staniforth as co-conveners, and agree that Councillor Staniforth should receive the Group Leader's Senior Councillor Allowance from 28 June 2019.
- 1.3 To consider whether to replace Councillor Cameron as a Council representative on a number of outside organisations, and if so to appoint replacement members.
- 1.4 To appoint a replacement member on the Dean and Cauvin Young People's Trust.

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2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 The new Policy and Sustainability Committee is to have 17 members, comprising 5 SNP; 5 Conservative; 3 Labour; 2 Green and 2 SLD. All the current Executive Committee conveners are to be members. Council is now asked to confirm the remaining members of this committee.
- 2.2 Council is asked to note the Green Group's appointment of co-conveners, and agree that Councillor Staniforth should receive the Group Leader's Senior Councillor Allowance from 28 June 2019.
- 2.3 Councillor Cameron currently represents the Council on a number of outside organisations, as a result of her previous position as vice-convenor of the Housing and Economy Committee.
- 2.4 Council needs to decide whether Councillor Cameron should continue as an individual member of these organisations, and if not who her replacement(s) should be.
- 2.5 Councillor Ian Campbell has resigned as a member of the Dean and Cauvin Young People's Trust. A replacement representative is sought.

3. Main report

- 3.1 At its meeting on 30 May 2019 Council agreed a revised remit for the Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee; renamed it the Policy and Sustainability Committee, and agreed an increased membership of 17 members, including the Executive Committee conveners. These changes will take effect from 5 August 2019.
- 3.2 The current committee membership comprises eleven members:- Councillors McVey, Day, Perry, Rankin, Macinness, Jim Campbell, Daggart, Whyte, Booth, Mary Campbell, and Aldridge. As previously agreed two executive committee conveners will now be added to its membership – Councillors Kate Campbell and Wilson.
- 3.3 To establish the membership to the agreed level, the following additional appointments are now required:- SNP (1 member); Conservative (2 members); SLD

(1 member). Council is invited to appoint these members, and also confirm any amendments to the current members.

- 3.4 The Green Group has intimated the appointment of Councillors Main and Staniforth as group co-conveners. It has indicated its intention that the Group Leader Senior Councillor Allowance should be paid to Councillor Staniforth.
- 3.5 If this is agreed at this meeting, it is proposed that the allowance is payable from 28 June 2019.
- 3.6 On a separate appointments issue, Councillor Cameron remains as a Council representative on a number of outside organisations, linked to her previous role as vice-convener of the Housing and Economy Committee. As Councillor Cameron's role has changed, a decision is required about whether she should remain on these groups as an individual member. The organisations concerned are: Capital City Partnership; EDI and Housing Management – LLP Corporate Body.
- 3.7 A vacancy exists as the Council's representative on the Board of Governors of the Dean and Cauvin Young People's Trust, following the resignation of Councillor Ian Campbell. The Trust, one of the oldest in the country, works to keep young people from living on the streets and provides a continuum of care to young people aged 15-21 as they make the transition from being looked after and accommodated to living independently in the community.

4. Next Steps

- 4.1 Any changes in representation will be communicated to the organisations concerned.

5. Financial impact

- 5.1 The payment of a Senior Councillor Allowance for one Green Group co-convener can be funded from the existing budget.

6. Stakeholder/Community Impact

- 6.1 None.

7. Background reading/external references

- 7.1 None.

8. Appendices

8.1 None.