City of Edinburgh Council

10.00am, Thursday, 25 August 2020

Appointments to Committees, Boards and Outside Bodies 2020/2021

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Council Commitments

1. Recommendations

1.1 To consider and agree the political membership of the committees, boards and outside bodies set out in paragraph 4.2.

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Report

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2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 Paragraph 3.1 of the Council's Committee Terms of Reference and Delegated Functions specifies that committee membership will be proportionate according to the elected representation of political parties, unless expressly agreed otherwise at a meeting of the full Council.
- 2.2 On 28 May 2020, the Policy and Sustainability Committee, under interim political management arrangements, appointed members to executive committees, other committees, joint boards and outside bodies, etc for 2020/21.
- 2.3 Due to a resignation from the Scottish National Party (SNP), a number of committees are therefore not compliant with the decision made on 28 May 2020. This report highlights the affected committees and the action required.

3. Background

- 3.1 On 28 May 2020, the Policy and Sustainability Committee, under interim political management arrangements, appointed members to executive committees, other committees, joint boards and outside bodies, etc for 2020/21.
- 3.2 Councillor Derek Howie's resignation as an SNP Group member affects this political representation and impacts on the membership of a number of committees and boards.

4. Main report

- 4.1 As noted above, due to Councillor Derek Howie's resignation as an SNP Group member, the Council is no longer compliant with the political membership agreed in May 2020.
- 4.2 The committees and boards affected are:
 - Culture and Communities Committee
 - Regulatory Committee and Licensing Sub-Committee

Licensing Board

Licensing Board

- 4.3 Councillor Howie's resignation from the SNP Group has an impact on the political balance of the Licensing Board and should the Council agree to apply proportionality, the following action is required: replace 1 SNP Group member with member of 1 EPIC member.
- 4.4 Schedule 1 of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 states that a member of a Licensing Board holds office until the next election or until they cease to be a Councillor. A Council can only remove a member from office if the member is unfit by reason of mental or physical inability.
- 4.5 Section 5 and Schedule 1 of the Licensing (Scotland) Act 2005 require that a vacancy on the Licensing Board must formally exist. Thus, any member intending to resign from the Licensing Board must do so in writing to the Clerk of the Licensing Board. Councillor Howie has not tendered his resignation consequently a new appointment cannot be made until a letter of resignation is received.
- 4.6 A Councillor who is a premises license holder, or the employee of a premises license holder and works as such in licensed premises, whether alone or in partnership with another person engaged in the business of producing or selling alcohol, or a director or other officer of a company so engaged or an employee of any person so engaged and working as such in that business, shall not act as a member of a Licensing Board for any purpose under the Act.
- 4.7 The Act also states that any member appointed to the Licensing Board cannot take their place on the Board until they have completed an external training course and passed an examination.

5. Financial impact

5.1 Not applicable

6. Stakeholder/Community Impact

6.1 Not applicable

7. Background reading/external references

7.1 Review of Appointments to Committees, Boards and Joint Boards 2020/2021, Policy and Sustainability Committee, 28 May 2020

8. Appendices

Appendix 1 Current Membership of Executive Committee and Other Committees
Appendix 2 Current Membership of Joint Boards, Licensing Board and Outside Bodies

Appendix 1

THE CITY OF EDINBURGH COUNCIL

APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES, JOINT BOARDS AND OUTSIDE BODIES 2020/2021 CURRENT MEMBERSHIP OF EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMITTEES

AGREED AT POLICY AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE ON 28 MAY 2020

Executive Committees		
Policy and Sustainability Committee (17 members: 5SNP, 5C, 3L, 2G, 2SLD)		
Councillor McVey (Convener) Councillor Kate Campbell Councillor Gardiner Councillor Macinnes Councillor Rankin Councillor Jim Campbell Councillor Hutchison Councillor McLellan Councillor Webber	Councillor Whyte Councillor Day (Vice Convener) Councillor Perry Councillor Wilson Councillor Main Councillor Staniforth Councillor Aldridge Councillor Gloyer	
Culture and Communities Committee (11 members: 3SNP, 3C, 2L, 2G, 1SLD)		
Councillor Fullerton Councillor Howie Councillor McNeese-Mechan (Vice Convener) Councillor Brown Councillor Doggart Councillor Mitchell	Councillor Wilson (Convener) Councillor Doran Councillor Rae Councillor Staniforth Councillor Osler	
Education, Children and Families Committee (11 members: 3SNP, 3C, 2L, 2G, 1SLD)		
Councillor Dickie (Vice Convener) Councillor Bird Councillor Key Councillor Douglas Councillor Laidlaw Councillor Rust	Councillor Griffiths Councillor Perry (Convener) Councillor Burgess Councillor Mary Campbell Councillor Young	

Added Members for Education Matters		
Fiona Beveridge (Church of Scotland) Rabbi David Rose	Monsignor Anthony Duffy (Roman Catholic Church of Scotland) Alexander Ramage (non-voting)	
Finance and Resources Committee (11 members: 3 SNP, 3C, 2L, 2G, 1SLD)		
Councillor Gordon Councillor Munn Councillor Rankin (Convener) Councillor Bruce Councillor Hutchison Councillor Johnston	Councillor Child Councillor Griffiths (Vice Convener) Councillor Booth Councillor Corbett Councillor Neil Ross	
Housing, Homelessness and Fair Work Committee (11 members: 3SNP, 3C, 2L, 2G, 1SLD)		
Councillor Kate Campbell (Convener) Councillor Key Councillor Work Councillor Jim Campbell Councillor Hutchison Councillor McLellan	Councillor Munro Councillor Watt (Vice Convener) Councillor Booth Councillor Miller Councillor Lang	
Transport and Environment Committee (11 members: 3 SNP, 3C, 2L, 2G, 1SLD)		
Councillor Bird Councillor Key Councillor Macinnes (Convener) Councillor Smith Councillor Webber Councillor Whyte	Councillor Arthur Councillor Doran (Vice Convener) Councillor Corbett Councillor Miller Councillor Lang	

Other Committees

Governance, Risk and Best Value Committee

(11 members: 3 SNP, 3C, 2L, 2G, 1SLD)

Councillor Bird
Councillor Munn
Councillor Work
Councillor Jim Campbell
Councillor Doggart

Councillor Bird
Councillor Munro
Councillor Miller
Councillor Rae
Councillor Gloyer

Councillor Mowat (Convener)

Planning Committee and Development Management Sub-Committee

(11 members: 3 SNP, 3C, 2L, 2G, 1SLD)

Councillor Gardiner (Convener) Councillor Child (Vice-Convener)

Councillor Gordon Councillor Griffiths
Councillor Munn Councillor Booth

Councillor Mitchell Councillor Mary Campbell

Councillor Mowat Councillor Osler

Councillor Rose

Regulatory Committee and Licensing Sub-Committee

(9 members: 3SNP, 2C, 2L, 1G, 1SLD)

Councillor Dixon (Vice- Convener)
Councillor Fullerton (Convener)
Councillor Howie
Councillor Mitchell
Councillor Neil Ross

Councillor Rose

Personnel Appeals Committee

(9 members – 2SNP, 3C, 2L, 1G, 1SLD)

Councillor Bird
Councillor McNeese-Mechan (Convener)

Councillor Jim Campbell
Councillor Rose

Councillor Webber

Councillor Doran

Councillor Griffiths

Councillor Rae

Councillor Lang

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Joint Boards		
Lothian Valuation Joint Board/Lothian Electoral Joint Committee (9 members – 3SNP, 2C, 2L, 1G, 1SLD)		
Councillor Gordon Councillor Key (Convener) Councillor Work Councillor Doggart Councillor Rust	Councillor Doran Councillor Henderson Councillor Corbett Councillor Gloyer	
Licensing Board (10 members – 3SNP, 3C, 2L, 1G, 1SLD)		
Councillor Howie Councillor Key Councillor Work (Convener) Councillor Cook Councillor Laidlaw	Councillor Mowat Councillor Cameron Councillor Day Councillor Burgess Councillor Gloyer	