

REPORT TO: MORAY COUNCIL ON 10 NOVEMBER 2021

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT TO OUTSIDE BODIES

BY: DEPUTE CHIEF EXECUTIVE (EDUCATION, COMMUNITIES AND

ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

1. REASON FOR REPORT

1.1 To invite the Council to consider making an appointment to Moray Leisure Centre – Board of Directors following a resignation and an appointment to the Moray Anchor Network, which will oversee the development of a Community Wealth Building (CWB) Strategy for Moray

1.2 This report is submitted to Council in terms of Section II (12) of the Council's Scheme of Administration relating to appointments to Outside Bodies.

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Council make an appointments to:
 - Moray Leisure Centre Board of Directors following the resignation of Councillor Taylor; and
 - ii) Moray Anchor Network, to Chair the group and oversee the coordination of a Community Wealth Building Strategy.

3. BACKGROUND

Moray Leisure Centre – Board of Directors

- 3.1 At the meeting of the Council on 24 May 2017 (para 7 of the minute refers) Councillor Taylor was appointed as one of 3 Council representatives to the Moray Leisure Centre Board of Directors.
- 3.2 The appointments made were in accordance with the political balance at the time and were 2 from the Administration Group which was Conservative/Independent and 1 SNP.
- 3.3 Subsequent changes in the Administration of the Council and Councillor resignations from their previous groups, the membership currently consists of 2 Conservative members and 1 Independent.
- 3.4 Moray Leisure Limited Notes on Memorandum/Articles (30) states that the

Board has a minimum of 7 members and the Council are entitled to at least 3:7 ratio on the Board.

3.5 On the 7 October 2021 Councillor Taylor tendered her resignation from the Moray Leisure Centre – Board of Directors.

Moray Anchor Network

- 3.6 The CWB approach aims to retain wealth within the local economy, through restricting extractive practices and providing increased control and benefits for local people. The CWB approach is constructed around five core pillars:
 - Progressive Procurement
 - Fair Employment and Just Labour Markets
 - Shared Ownership of the Local Economy
 - Socially Just Use of Land and Property
 - Making Financial Power Work for Local Places
- 3.7 At its meeting on 19 October 2021, the Economic Development and Infrastructure Services Committee approved the route map to CWB strategy and delivery, including the establishment of a Moray Anchor Network to oversee the coordination of the strategy. The Committee also agreed that a further report be considered by the Moray Council regarding Elected Member representation on the Moray Anchor Network. (paragraph 8 of the minute refers).
- 3.8 Initial research has demonstrated that local political leadership in forming an anchor partnership has been essential in securing co-operation from external partners. In both Preston and North Ayrshire, who have successfully implemented local CWB strategies, this has taken the form of the Council Leader serving as Chair of the anchor partnership.
- 3.9 The Moray Anchor Network will work in collaboration with the Moray Economic Partnership (MEP) and Community Planning Partnership (CPP), to support delivery of the outcomes of the Moray Economic Strategy, Moray Economic Recovery Plan, and Local Outcome Improvement Plan.

4. **SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS**

(a) Corporate Plan and 10 Year Plan (Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP))

The actions relating to the Moray Anchor Network will contribute towards the corporate plan priority of promoting economic development and growth, as well as the LOIP priority of a growing and sustainable economy.

(b) Policy and Legal None

(c) Financial implications

Allowances for nominated Members attendance at meetings of organisations appointed to are covered in the Councillors and Members Allowance Scheme.

(d) Risk Implications

None.

(e) Staffing Implications

The actions relating to forming the Moray Anchor Network will be undertaken by the CWB Officer and Senior Economic Officer for Strategy and Development.

(f) Property

None.

(g) Equalities/Socio Economic Impact

Development and delivery of a CWB Strategy will promote equality and growth in the local economy.

(h) Consultations

None.

6. **CONCLUSION**

- 6.1 That the Council consider making an appointments Moray Leisure Centre Board of Directors following the resignation of Councillor Taylor.
- 6.2 That the Council consider appointing Elected Member representation to the Moray Anchor Network to support development of a CWB Strategy for Moray.

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Background Papers: Held by Author

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