

# MORAY COUNCIL

## Minute of Special Meeting of the Moray Council

Thursday, 26 September 2019

Council Chambers, Council Office, High Street, Elgin, IV30 1BX

### **PRESENT**

Councillor George Alexander, Councillor James Allan, Councillor David Bremner, Councillor Frank Brown, Councillor Theresa Coull, Councillor Gordon Cowie, Councillor Paula Coy, Councillor John Divers, Councillor Ryan Edwards, Councillor Claire Feaver, Councillor Donald Gatt, Councillor Louise Laing, Councillor Graham Leadbitter, Councillor Marc Macrae, Councillor Aaron McLean, Councillor Maria McLean, Councillor Shona Morrison, Councillor Amy Taylor

### **APOLOGIES**

Councillor John Cowe, Councillor Tim Eagle, Councillor Ray McLean, Councillor Derek Ross, Councillor Ron Shepherd, Councillor Sonya Warren, Councillor Walter Wilson

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

The Chief Executive; the Head of Legal and Democratic Services; Mr Brian Howarth, Audit Director, Audit Scotland; Ms Maggie Bruce, Auditor, Audit Scotland and Mrs Caroline Howie as clerk to the meeting.

#### **1 Chair of Meeting**

The meeting was Chaired by Councillor Morrison.

#### **2 Declaration of Group Decisions and Members Interests \***

In terms of Standing Order 20 and the Councillors' Code of Conduct, there were no declarations from Group Leaders or Spokespersons in regard to any prior decisions taken on how Members will vote on any item on the agenda or any declarations of Member's interests in respect of any item on the agenda.

#### **3 2018-19 Annual Audit Report to Council**

A report by the Corporate Director (Corporate Services) provided Council with a copy of the External Auditor's Annual Audit Report to Council on the 2018/19 Audit.

Following consideration the Council agreed to note the contents of the report and the report from the Council's External Auditors.

#### **4 Audited Annual Accounts for the Period 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019**

Under reference to paragraph 7 of the Minute of the special meeting of the Council dated 27 June 2019 a report by the Corporate Director (Corporate Services) submitted to the Council the Audited Annual Account for the Moray Council for the year ended 31 March 2019.

Following consideration the Council agreed to:

- i. note the Audited Annual Accounts for the financial year 2018/19; and
- ii. approve that the Annual Accounts are signed, having regard to the Annual Report from the external auditor considered earlier at this meeting.

#### **5 Connected Charities Audited Annual Accounts for the Period 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019**

A report by the Corporate Director (Corporate Services) submitted to the Council the audited Annual Accounts for Moray Council's Connected Charities for the year ended 31 March 2019.

Following consideration the Council agreed to approve the audited Annual Accounts for the Connected Charities for the financial year 2018/19.