

Falkirk Council

Title: Education, Children and Young People

Executive Membership

Meeting: Education, Children and Young People

Executive

Date: 4 June 2019

Submitted By: Director of Corporate and Housing Services

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of the report is to advise of the change in name of the Education Executive to the Education, Children and Young People Executive and to provide an update on the membership of this body.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The Education, Children and Young People Executive is invited to note:-
 - (1) the change of title from the Education Executive to the Education, Children and Young People Executive;
 - (2) the appointment of Evelyn Crosbie as the representative of the Church of Scotland on the Education, Children and Young People Executive, with effect from 4 June 2019, and
 - (3) that a new category of membership has been included for a Care Experienced Young Person on the Education, Children and Young People Executive.

3. Name Change and Membership

- 3.1 Following the decision of Council on 9 May 2018 to expand the remit of the Education Executive to include the full remit of Children's Services Council agreed, on 8 May 2019, to rename the Education Executive the Education, Children and Young People Executive.
- 3.2 Council also agreed on 8 May 2019 to extend the membership of the Education, Children and Young People Executive to create a new category of non-voting member on the Education, Children and Young People Executive for a care experienced young person. The appointment shall be by nomination by the Champions Board. Council also agreed that any appointee must be younger than 26 at the time of appointment.
- 3.3 There are three religious representative positions on the Education, Children and Young People Executive as required by statute. The Church of Scotland representative is appointed by the Church's Education Committee. In regard to the Church of Scotland representative, Ms Evelyn Crosbie will succeed the late Maureen Tait who had been a member of the former Education Executive from May 2017 until January 2019.

- 3.4 Religious representatives are entitled to vote on a committee established by the Council to discharge or advise on its education functions. The voting right does not extend to non education matters. To assist members of the Executive, and the public, the agenda will identify where the business consists of the discharge of education functions and, accordingly, where the religious representatives have voting rights. It is likely that this will continue to be most of the business.
- 3.5 Both appointments will be until the next local government election.

4. Consultation

No consultation was required.

5. Implications

Financial

5.1 There are no financial implications.

Resources

5.2 There are no resource implications.

Legal

5.3 The appointment of a representative of the Church of Scotland fulfils the requirements of the provisions contained within section 124 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

Risk

5.4 None.

Equalities

5.5 An equality and poverty impact assessment was not required for this report.

Sustainability/Environmental Impact

5.6 It was not necessary to complete a sustainability assessment prior to compiling this report.

6. Conclusions

6.1 To reflect the wider remit of the body the Education Executive is now called the Education, Children & Young People Executive. It is a requirement that three religious representatives are appointed to the Education, Children and Young People Executive, in accordance with s.124 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973. The appointment of Evelyn Crosbie fulfils this requirement.

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Appendices

None.

List of Background Papers:

Email dated 1 May 2019 from the Church of Scotland.