

FC45. MOTIONS

(a) PVG Scheme Membership

Council considered the following motion by Councillor Alexander, seconded by Councillor Meiklejohn:-

In March 2012, Council agreed that the cost of PVG membership for members of the Council's Education and Social Care Committees would be spread across the whole Council.

This principle was broadly acceptable to all sides as both committees were selected on a proportional basis.

However, the scrapping of proportionality for the Executive means that the SNP have paid 41% of the cost of the PVG membership but have only 16% of the places on the committee.

Council agrees that this is clearly an unfair subsidy for the Administration and therefore agrees to calculate the PVG membership on the basis of Executive Committee membership and refund the balance to groups overcharged for this session.

By way of an amendment, in substitution for the motion, Councillor C Martin, seconded by Councillor D Goldie, moved that Council maintain its current position in regard to the payment for members' PVG membership.

On a division 16 members voted for the amendment and 13 voted for the motion.

Decision

Council agreed to maintain the current position in regard to the payment for members' PVG membership.