

FC40. COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION STRATEGY UPDATE

In terms of the Council's Scheme of Delegation, this item had been called in to Council by Councillors McNally, Bird and Chalmers.

There was submitted (circulated) (a) Extract of Minute of Meeting of the Leisure, Tourism and Community Committee held on 11 September 2012, and (b) Report by the Director of Corporate and Neighbourhood Services to the said meeting providing an update on the implementation of the Community Participation Strategy.

Councillor Mahoney, seconded by Councillor Paterson, moved the recommendations as set out in the report.

By way of an amendment, Councillor McNally, seconded by Councillor Turner, moved that Council:-

- “(1) notes that the Citizens Panel membership has been increased to 1% of the population, however further work is required to make it more balanced in age and social background in order for the feedback received to be more meaningful.
- (2) agrees to increase the participation of young people, the members of our high schools pupil councils should become members of the Citizens Panel
- (3) agrees that the petitions Committee, which was agreed at the previous meeting of Council, should be implemented as soon as possible, and a report brought to the next available Committee.
- (4) agrees to request a further report in 2013, prior to the Strategy being reviewed in 2014”.

Following discussion, Councillor Gow, seconded by Councillor C Martin moved that the question now be put.

On a division 17 members voted for the motion and 15 voted against, following which Councillor Mahoney exercised his right of reply before the question was put to the meeting.

In terms of Standing Order 21.4 (i), a vote was taken by roll call, there being 32 Members present with voting as undernoted:-

For the motion (17) – Provost Reid; Depute Provost Patrick; Councillors Black, Blackwood, Buchanan, D Goldie, G Goldie, Gow, MacDonald, McLuckie, Mahoney, C Martin, Dr C R Martin, Murray, Nicol, Nimmo and Paterson.

For the amendment (15) – Councillors Alexander, Balfour, Bird, Carleschi, Chalmers, Coleman, Hughes, Jackson, McCabe, McNally, Meiklejohn, Oliver, Ritchie, Spears and Turner.

Accordingly, **NOTED** the progress in implementing the Community Participation Strategy and **AGREED** to receive a further report in 2013 prior to the Strategy being reviewed in 2014.