FC10. Appointment to External Organisations

Council considered a report by the Director of Corporate and Housing Services providing information on those external bodies which had requested elected member representation.

Council had previously made appointments to the following organisations and was invited to consider appointments to each:-

- COSLA;
- Scottish Enterprise East Regional Advisory Board;
- Falkirk District Arts and Civic Council;
- Falkirk District Twinning Association;
- Stirlingshire Educational Trust;
- University of Stirling Conference;
- Veterans Champion; and
- Scottish Parliament Cross Party Group on Poland

Councillor Meiklejohn proposed the following appointments:-

Organisation	Appointments
COSLA Leaders Group COSLA Convention	Councillor Meiklejohn Councillors Alexander and Meiklejohn. Subject to political proportionality (2 SNP, 1 Lab and 1 Con) with nominations to be made by the Labour and Conservative Groups.
Falkirk & District Arts and Civic Council Falkirk District Twinning Association Stirlingshire Educational Trust	Provost Coleman (honorary President) Provost Coleman (ex-officio) Provost Coleman + 6 (on the basis of political proportionality - 3 SNP, 2 Lab and 2 Con - with nominations to be made by the Groups.
University of Stirling Conference Veterans Champion	Provost Coleman (ex-officio) Councillor Spears

COSLA Convention places

There was general agreement on the political proportionality proposed. Councillor Nicol advised that the place allocated to the Conservative Group would be taken by Councillor Patrick. Councillor Goldie advised that he would take the place allocated to the Labour Group.

Veterans Champion

Councillor Nicol nominated Councillor Patrick as the Veterans Champion.

In terms of Standing Order 22.1, the vote was taken by roll call, there being 30 members present with voting as undernoted:-

For Councillor Spears (13) – Provost Coleman; Depute Provost Ritchie; Councillors Alexander, Balfour, Binnie, Bouse, Collie, Garner, Hughes, McCue, Meiklejohn, Murtagh and Spears.

For Councillor Patrick (8) – Councillors Buchanan, Flynn, Grant, Harris, Kerr, Munro, Nicol and Patrick.

Abstentions (9) – Councillors Aitchison, Bissett, Black, Blackwood, Coombes, Goldie, McLuckie, Nimmo and Reid.

Councillor Spears was appointed Veterans Champion.

Decision

Council agreed:-

(1) to make the following appointments:-

Organisation	Appointments
COSLA Leaders Group	Councillor Meiklejohn
COSLA Convention	Councillors Alexander, Goldie, Meiklejohn and Nicol.
Falkirk & District Arts and Civic Council	Provost Coleman (honorary President)
Falkirk District Twinning	Provost Coleman (ex-officio)
Stirlingshire Educational Trust	Provost Coleman + 6 (on the basis of political proportionality - 3 SNP, 2 Lab and 2 Con - with nominations to be made by the Groups.
University of Stirling Conference	Provost Coleman (ex-officio)
Veterans Champion	Councillor Spears

(2) to continue consideration of the remaining appointments to the next meeting.