

## **FC8. APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO EXTERNAL BODIES**

There was submitted Report (circulated) dated 12 May 2012 by the Chief Governance Officer providing information on those external bodies which had requested elected member representation. The report highlighted 4 particular requests for representation namely (a) Cosla Convention; (b) the Helix Trust; (c) Forth Valley Health Board, and (d) the Veterans Champion and collated the remaining requests as an appendix to the report.

Additionally, the report provided information on the registration and declaration provisions contained in the Councillors' Code of Conduct with regard to external appointments.

Council then considered the various requests for representations.

### **(a) COSLA Convention (4 places)**

Councillor C Martin, seconded by Councillor Black, moved that the Council's representation on the COSLA Convention be 2 members from the Labour Group, 1 member from the SNP Group and 1 member from among the Conservative Group, the Independent Group or the non-aligned Independent member.

By way of an amendment, Councillor Alexander, seconded by Councillor Coleman, moved that the Council's representation be 2 members from the Labour Group and 2 members from the SNP Group.

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, 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.

Having agreed the Council's representation on the COSLA Convention as 2 representatives from the Labour Group, 1 from the SNP Group and 1 from among the Conservative Group, the Independent Group or the non-aligned Independent member, the Provost sought nominations.

**AGREED** to appoint Depute Provost Patrick and Councillors C Martin, Gow and Alexander to the COSLA Convention.

### **(b) Helix Trust (2 places)**

Councillor C Martin, seconded by Councillor Black, nominated Councillors C R Martin and Gow to the Board of the Helix Trust while Councillor Alexander, seconded by Councillor Coleman nominated Councillor Meiklejohn.

On the first vacancy **AGREED** to appoint Councillor Gow to the Board of the Helix Trust.

On the second vacancy, 17 members voted for Councillor C R Martin and 15 members voted for Councillor Meiklejohn. Accordingly, **AGREED** to appoint Councillor C R Martin to the Board of the Helix Trust.

**(c) Forth Valley NHS Board (1 place)**

**AGREED** to appoint Councillor Gow to the Forth Valley NHS Board.

**(d) Veterans Champion**

**AGREED** to appoint Depute Provost Patrick as the Council's Veterans' Champion.

Provost Reid then sought nominations to the external organisations detailed in the appendix to the report. A number were received and are detailed below:-

**Falkirk Council – Elected Member Representation on Outside Bodies and Organisations**

<b>Name of Organisation</b>	<b>Number of Members</b>	<b>Appointed</b>
Age Concern Falkirk	1	Depute Provost J Patrick
Association for Public Service Excellence (APSE)	1	Councillor G Goldie
Braveheart Association	1	Councillor C Macdonald
Central Scotland Regional Equality Council (CSRECL)	1	Councillor A Nimmo
Citizens Advice Bureau (Denny & Dunipace)	2	Councillor J Blackwood
Citizens Advice Bureau (Grangemouth & Bo'ness)	1 from Grangemouth and 1 from Bo'ness	Councillor A Black Councillor A Mahoney
Council for Voluntary Sector (CVS)	1	Councillor R Murray
East of Scotland European Consortium	1	No appointment made
Edinburgh Airport Consultative Committee	1	No appointment made
Falkirk & District Arts & Civic Council	Provost (Honorary President) and 2 members	Provost P Reid Councillor J McLuckie Councillor J Paterson
Falkirk & District Town Centre Management Limited	1	Councillor A Black
BID Management Group	1 and a substitute	Councillor D Goldie Councillor L Gow (substitute)
Falkirk & District Community Safety Panel	1	Councillor C R Martin
Falkirk District Twinning Association	3 plus the Provost (ex officio)	Provost P Reid Depute Provost J Patrick Councillor D Goldie Councillor L Gow
Falkirk Environment Trust (FET)	1	Councillor J McLuckie

Falkirk for Business	1	Councillor D Goldie Councillor L Gow (substitute)
Falkirk Football Community Foundation	1	Councillor C Martin
Falkirk Sports Council	2	Councillor J Blackwood leaving 1 place vacant
Falkirk Temperance Trust	2/3 representing the former Falkirk Burgh area (Wards 6 and 7)	Provost P Reid Councillor C R Martin
Forth Valley NHS Community Health Partnership	Council appointee to the NHS Board plus 1 Member.	Councillor L Gow Councillor R Murray
Forth Valley Area Tourism Partnership	1	Councillor A Mahoney
Highland Reserve Forces' And Cadets' Assoc.	1	No appointment made
Museums Galleries Scotland	1	Councillor A Mahoney
Order of Malta Dial – a – Journey LTD	1	No appointment made
Paragon Housing Association LTD	1	Councillor J Paterson
Scottish Accident Prevention Council	3	No appointment made
Scottish Councils Committee on Radioactive substances (SCCORS)	1	Councillor C R Martin
Scottish Enterprise	1 at Leader of Council or chair of economic development level	Councillor C Martin
Scottish Local Government Forum Against Poverty	1 and 1 named substitute	Councillor J Paterson No substitute appointed
Scottish Railway Preservation Society	1	Councillor S Turner
Scottish Schools Equipment Research Centre (SSERC)	1	Councillor A Nimmo
Stirlingshire Educational Trust	7 3 from the Labour Group, 3 from the SNP Group + 1 from among the 5 members made up of the Conservative Group, the Independent Group and the non aligned independent member.	Provost P Reid Councillor A Nimmo Councillor J Paterson Depute Provost J Patrick

University of Stirling Conference	1 - Provost (ex officio)	Provost P Reid
Workers' Educational Association (WEA)	1	Councillor D Goldie

**AGREED:-**

- (1) to appoint members to the external organisations as set out above and that nominations for any remaining vacancies be made to the Chief Governance Officer, and
- (2) not to join the National Association of Councillors.

**NOTED** the requirements upon Members to record any appointments to external bodies in their Register of Interests in accordance with the Councillors' Code of Conduct.