FC53. APPOINTMENT TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS AND COMMITTEES

There was submitted Report (circulated) dated 11 September 2009 by the Acting Director of Law and Administration (a) providing details of resignations received from external organisations in respect of Paragon Housing Association, Weslo Housing Association and the COSLA Health and Wellbeing Executive Groups (b) seeking nominations to the said organisations and (c) advising of a request received from the Scottish Parliament Cross Party Group on Supporting Veterans in Scotland requesting the Council appoints a "Veterans Champion".

COSLA Health and Wellbeing Executive Group

Councillor Gow, seconded by Councillor Nicol, nominated Councillor C MacDonald.

Councillor Alexander, seconded by Councillor Coleman, nominated Councillor Meiklejohn.

On a division, 16 Members voted for Councillor C MacDonald and 13 voted for Councillor Meiklejohn.

Accordingly, **AGREED** to appoint Councillor C MacDonald to the COSLA Health and Wellbeing Executive Group.

Paragon and Weslo Housing Association

Councillor Gow, seconded by Councillor Nicol, moved that consideration of these positions be continued to allow for advice to be obtained on the role of members on external organisations.

By way of an Amendment, Councillor Alexander, seconded by Councillor Coleman, nominated Councillor Meiklejohn for both organisations.

On a division 16 Members voted for the Motion and 13 voted for the Amendment.

Accordingly, **AGREED** to continue consideration of the vacancies at the Paragon and Weslo Housing Associations to allow for advice to be obtained on the role of elected Members on external organisations.

<u>Scottish Parliament Cross Party Group on Supporting Veterans in Scotland – Veterans Champion</u>

AGREED to appoint Councillor Spears as Falkirk Council's Veterans Champion.