

The background of the slide features the Falkirk Council Coat of Arms. It is a shield divided into four quarters. The top-left quarter shows a castle tower. The top-right quarter shows a stag's head with antlers. The bottom-left quarter shows a sailing ship on wavy lines representing water. The bottom-right quarter shows a crowned eagle with spread wings. Above the shield is a crown with four fleurs-de-lis. A banner at the bottom of the shield contains the motto 'A'NE FOR A' in Scottish Gaelic.

# **Agenda Item 8**

## **Falkirk Community Trust – Director Appointment**

**Falkirk Council**

**Title:** Falkirk Community Trust – Director Appointment  
**Meeting:** Falkirk Council  
**Date:** 21 September 2016  
**Submitted By:** Chief Executive

**1. Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide an update on Council appointments to the board of Falkirk Community Trust (“the Trust”) and to seek either reappointment of Council Dennis Goldie at the end of his two year term or the appointment of an alternative elected member in his place.

**2. Recommendations**

**2.1 Council is asked to:-**

- (a) appoint an elected member to be a Council appointed Director on the Board of the Trust in respect of the position held by Councillor Dennis Goldie; and**
- (b) authorise the Chief Executive to provide written notice to the Trust of the decision taken in terms of recommendation 2.1(a).**

**3. Background**

- 3.1 In terms of the Articles of Association of the Trust, the Council has the right to appoint five elected members as Directors on the Board of the Trust. Such appointments are for periods of two years with a Director being able to reapply to the Board for a further two year period provided that no Director can be appointed for more than three such two year terms in total.

**4. Consideration**

- 4.1 The current Council appointed Directors are Provost Reid, Baillie Buchanan and Councillors Gow, Dennis Goldie and Spears. Provost Reid and Councillor Gow were appointed in July 2011 and October 2011 respectively. They will require to resign from the Board at the end of their maximum six year board memberships in July and October 2017. Councillor Spears and Baillie Buchanan were appointed for the first time in March 2015.
- 4.2 Councillor D Goldie was initially appointed in June 2012 and is currently the Vice Chair of the Trust. He was reappointed in June 2014 and his appointment is now due for further renewal. Council may renew his appointment or appoint another member to the Board. It is available to the Council to terminate the appointment of a Councillor Director at any time should it wish to do so.

- 4.3 The Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator, in January 2015, published a paper following its review of Arm's Length External Organisations (ALEOs) registered as Charities in Scotland called "Arms' Length External Organisations". In this paper, it is suggested that in making such appointments consideration be given to the mix of skills and experience among Councillor Directors on the board of an ALEO.

## **5. Implications**

### **Financial**

- 5.1 None

### **Resources**

- 5.2 None

### **Legal**

- 5.3 Board induction training requires to be provided to members appointed as Directors of the Trust.

### **Risk**

- 5.4 None

### **Equalities**

- 5.5 None

## **6. Conclusions**

- 6.1 Councillor Dennis Goldie's most recent appointment to the board of the Trust has reached the end of its two year period and Council is accordingly invited to either reappoint him as a Director or appoint another elected member to the Board in his place.

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## **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

1. Articles of Association of Falkirk Community Trust.