

Falkirk Council

Subject: Education Executive Membership – Pupil Representatives

Meeting: Education Executive Date: 4 September 2018

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1. Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of the report is to agree a process to appoint pupil representatives to the Education Executive and to make appointments to the two vacancies.

2. Recommendations

2.1 The Education Executive is asked to:

- (1) approve the selection process as set out in paragraphs 4.1 & 4.2 of this report, and
- (2) appoint Alice Dunn and Aaron Laurie as the two pupil representatives on the Education Executive, for a period of one year, with immediate effect.

3. Background

- 3.1 The Council's Standing Orders give the Education Executive authority to determine the process to appoint young people to its membership.
- 3.2 The previous process was that pupil representatives' nominations were made by the Youth Ambassador programme; however this group has now ceased.

4. Considerations

- 4.1 Children's Services has proposed a selection process where each secondary Head Teacher will nominate two pupils representatives on an annual basis. Each secondary school will nominate on a rotational basis. This would allow representation from each secondary school and give more pupils an opportunity to be part of the Education Executive.
- 4.2 The rota will be prioritised by areas of deprivation, which is in line with the current national focus of enhancing pupil participation and aims to close the poverty related attainment gap. Falkirk High School was asked to nominate 2 pupils for 2018/19.
- 4.3 Alice Dunn and Aaron Laurie were nominated by the Head Teacher of Falkirk High School as the 2 non-voting young people on the Education Executive.

5. Consultation

No consultation was carried out on the terms of this report.

6. Implications

Financial

6.1 There are no financial implications arising from the recommendations of this report.

Resources

6.2 There are no resource implications arising from the recommendations of this report.

Legal

6.3 There are no legal implications arising from the recommendations of this report.

Risk

6.4 There are no legal implications arising from the recommendations of this report.

Equalities

6.5 There are no equality issues.

Sustainability/Environmental Impact

6.6 There are no sustainability/environmental impacts.

7. Conclusion

Due to the cessation of the Youth Ambassador group, Children's Services have proposed a new selection process for pupil representatives to be appointed to the Education Executive. Two nominations have been received from Falkirk High School. The Education Executive is invited to approve the process and to appoint the representatives.

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Appendices None

Background Papers: There were no background papers relied on in the preparation of this report.