

**REPORT TO MARR AREA COMMITTEE – 22 MAY, 2018****NOMINATIONS TO MARR COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP****1 Recommendations**

The Committee is recommended to:-

- 1.1 Nominate one representative from each Ward in the Marr Area to serve on the Marr Community Planning Group; and**
- 1.2 Review its nominations to the Marr Community Planning Group in May 2019.**

2 Background / Discussion

- 2.1 At its meeting of 30 May, 2017 (Item 10), the Committee agreed to nominate one representative from each of the three wards in the Marr Area to serve on the Marr Community Planning Group. It was proposed that the membership would be reviewed every year to allow all Members the opportunity for further participation in community planning.
- 2.2 The Committee's representatives for 2017/18 were Councillor Ingleby (Ward 14); Councillor Gibb (Ward 15); and Councillor Durno (Ward 16). The Committee is asked to consider nominations to the group for 2018/19.
- 2.3 Marr Community Planning Group (MCPG) consists of members from a wide range of local and Aberdeenshire-wide partner organisations, including; Aberdeenshire Voluntary Action, the Marr Area Partnership, Aberdeenshire Community Safety Partnership and public sector organisations such as Aberdeenshire Health & Social Care Partnership, Police Scotland and the Scottish Fire & Rescue Service. The aim of the MCPG is to support the delivery of the Local Community Plan through partnership working. The MCPG also receives an annual budget of around £5,000 which is allocated to MCPG and community projects.
- 2.4 Every year there are around five planning group meetings that are held approximately every 6-8 weeks. In addition there are two joint meetings with the Marr Area Committee and Marr Area Management Team. In 2018/19 there will be a trial of rotating the meetings in the following locations: Ballater Fire Station, Banchory Fire Station, Huntly Fire Station and Alford Public Hall.
- 2.5 The Head of Finance and Monitoring Officer within Business Services have been consulted in the preparation of this report and their comments are incorporated within the report. They are satisfied that the report complies with the Scheme of Governance and relevant legislation.

3 Scheme of Governance

- 3.1 The Committee is able to consider and take a decision on this item under delegated powers from Full Council as determined at the meeting of 18 May,

2017, when it was agreed to delegate authority to the Area Committees to nominate members to serve on partnerships and inter-authority working groups that are specific to the area and have previously been nominated to by the Council and Part 2A of the Scheme of Governance, Section B.1.1, to determine any matter that is specific to the area and not otherwise properly delegated to any other Committee.

4 Implications and Risk

- 4.1 An equality impact assessment is not required because the recommended actions are not considered to have a differential impact on any of the protected characteristics.
- 4.2 There are no staffing or financial implications arising directly as a result of this report.
- 4.3 The following risk has been identified as relevant to this matter on a [Corporate Level](#): Working with other organisations.

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