

REPORT TO ABERDEENSHIRE COUNCIL – THURSDAY, 26 SEPTEMBER, 2019

VACANCY - VICE CHAIR OF COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

1 Recommendations

The Council is recommended to:

- 1.1 **note the current vacancy of the position of Vice Chair to the Communities Committee and take the necessary steps for the appointment of a replacement.**

2 Background / Discussion

- 2.1 At the meeting of Full Council on 18 May, 2017 (Item 7) appointments were made to the positions of Chair and Vice Chair of the four Policy Committees and the Audit Committee. Councillor Anne Stirling was appointed as the Chair of Communities Committee with Councillor Iris Walker appointed as Vice-Chair.
 - 2.2 Councillor Walker has now intimated her resignation from the position of Vice Chair of the Communities Committee, and the matter is referred to Council for consideration.
 - 2.3 The functions of the Council delegated to the Communities Committee include:
 - a. Aberdeenshire Integration Joint Board Monitoring.
 - b. Adult Social Work Services, except those delegated to the Aberdeenshire Integration Joint Board.
 - c. Community Planning.
 - d. Housing.
 - e. Lifelong Learning and Leisure.
 - f. Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.
 - g. Scottish Police Authority (Police Scotland).
 - 2.4 The Head of Finance and Monitoring Officer within Business Services have been consulted in the preparation of this report and any comments received have been 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 Council is able to consider and take a decision on this item in terms of Part 2A of the Scheme of Governance Section A 2.2.1, as Full Council has the power to appoint Committees and their Chairs and Vice Chairs other than the Chairs and Vice Chairs of Area Committees.

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 and financial implications arising directly as a result of the recommendation in this report.
- 4.3 The following Risks have been identified as relevant to this matter on a Corporate Level:

ACORP004 - Business and organisational change (including: ensuring governance structures support change; and, managing the pace of change) [Corporate Risk Register](#).

No Risks have been identified as relevant to this matter on a Strategic Level.

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