

REPORT TO MARR AREA COMMITTEE – 14 DECEMBER 2021

LUMPHANAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL REINSTATEMENT

1 Executive Summary/Recommendation

- 1.1 The report advises the Committee that Lumphanan Community Council has been reinstated to full community council status following a period of supported status.
- 1.2 **The Committee is recommended to note that Lumphanan Community Council has been reinstated to full community council status following a period of supported status.**

2 Decision-Making Route

- 2.1 At its meeting on 2 November, 2021, the Committee noted that Lumphanan Community Council had been put into supported status, in accordance with Section 14 of the [Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils](#) (the Scheme), due to the number of members falling below the minimum number required to remain established and acknowledged a call for nominations for membership of the Community Council. The Scheme requires that supported status and reinstatement to full community council status are reported to the Area Committee.

3 Discussion

- 3.1 A call for nominations for membership of Lumphanan Community Council was issued on 25 October 2021. One nomination was received by the closing date of 16 November 2021. As the number of candidates validly nominated equaled the minimum number required but was less than the total maximum permitted membership, the candidate was duly elected.
- 3.2 This brought the Community Council's total membership to five which is the minimum required to remain established in accordance with the Scheme. The Area Manager therefore granted reinstatement to full community council status by written notice on 17 November 2021.
- 3.3 As membership numbers are still low, the Community Council has been encouraged to continue to try and recruit new members. The Community Council may co-opt people to the Community Council where it's elected membership is not below the minimum number specified, provided that the number of co-opted members cannot exceed one quarter of the maximum.

4 Council Priorities, Implications and Risk

- 4.1 This report helps deliver the following Council Priority :

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4.2 The table below shows whether risks and implications apply if the recommendation is agreed:

Subject	Yes	No	N/A
Financial		x	
Staffing		x	
Equalities and Fairer Scotland Duty		x	
Children and Young People's Rights and Wellbeing		x	
Health and Wellbeing		x	
Town Centre First		x	
Sustainability		x	

4.3 The screening section as part of Stage One of the Integrated Impact Assessment process has not identified the requirement for any further detailed assessments to be undertaken because the action is a procedural matter in line with the Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils.

4.4 The following Risks have been identified as relevant to this matter on a Corporate Level: ACORP005 Working with Other Organisations (see [Corporate Risk Register](#)). No risks have been identified as relevant to this matter on a Strategic Level.

5 Scheme of Governance

5.1 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.

5.2 The Area Manager is able to re-instate a community council which has been in supported status in accordance with the Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils in terms of Section F.1.11 of the [List of Officer Powers](#) in Part 2B of the Scheme of Governance. The Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils requires that the Area Committee be informed by report of the reinstatement.

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