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**Report to: Clackmannanshire Council**

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**Date: 23 October, 2014**

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**Subject: Appointment of Council Leader**

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**Report by: Chief Executive**

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## **1.0 Purpose**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to invite Council to appoint a new Leader further to notification by Councillor Gary Womersley of his intention to resign.

## **2.0 Recommendation**

- 2.1 It is recommended that Council:

a) appoints a new Leader to take up post with effect from 3 November, 2014; and;

b) notes that the new Leader will take the place of Councillor Womersley on certain outside bodies as set out at paragraph 3.3 of this report.

## **3.0 Background**

- 3.1 Councillor Gary Womersley has notified me of his intention to resign as Council Leader with effect from 3 November, 2014.
- 3.2 The Council is required to appoint a new Leader to take up post from that date, the appointment to be made under the terms of Standing Orders 14.14-14.19, *Voting: Filling Posts or Offices Held By Councillors*.
- 3.3 There are a number of outside bodies on which Councillor Womersley serves by dint of his position as Council Leader (as agreed by Council at its meeting on 1 June, 2012; report entitled *Clackmannanshire Council Elected Member Representation on Outside Bodies*; minute reference CC.13) These are:
- Clackmannanshire & Stirling NHS Forth Valley Partnership Board
  - Clackmannanshire Alliance
  - Clackmannanshire Business Ltd
  - COSLA Leaders
  - CSBP Clackmannanshire Developments Ltd
  - CSBP Clackmannanshire Investments Ltd

3.4 The new Leader appointed by the Council will take Councillor Womersley's place on those bodies.

**4.0 Sustainability Implications - N/A**

**5.0 Resource Implications - *Financial Details N/A; Staffing N/A***

**6.0 Declarations**

6.1 The recommendations contained within this report support or implement our Corporate Priorities and Council Policies.

(1) **Our Priorities - N/A**

(2) **Council Policies** (Please detail) - Standing Orders

**7.0 Equalities Impact - N/A**

**8.0 Legality**

8.1 It has been confirmed that in adopting the recommendations contained in this report, the Council is acting within its legal powers. Yes

**9.0 Appendices - None**

**10.0 Background Papers -**

a) Letter from Councillor Gary Womersley dated 21 October, 2014

b) Report dated 1 June, 2012, to Council - Clackmannanshire Council Elected Member Representation on Outside Bodies

c) Minute of Meeting of Clackmannanshire Council of 1 June, 2013, CC.13

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