ON THE AGENDA

Report to: Clackmannanshire Council

Date of Meeting: 6 October 2022

Subject: Elected Member Representation on Outside Bodies

Report by: Chief Executive

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 Following approval of a number of outside bodies at the Statutory Meeting of Clackmannanshire Council held on 25 May 2022, this report sets out requests for elected member representation on a further two outside bodies (see Appendix to this report). It seeks Council's view on whether it wishes to be represented on these bodies and, if so, asks Council to appoint members to the relevant organisations.
- 1.2 The report also seeks to appoint an elected member representative to vote at the Annual General Meeting of iESE. The Council has membership of iESE which is a not-for-profit social enterprise that works in partnership to support the Public sector, Private sector and the Third sector.
- 1.3 The report also updates the Council on the cessation of the University of Stirling Conference Committee.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that Council:
 - a) confirms that it wishes to be represented on the organisations set out in Appendix A;
 - b) appoints elected members to those organisations as appropriate;
 - c) appoints an elected member representative to vote at the annual general meeting of iESE.
 - c) notes that the University of Stirling Conference Committee is no longer operational (as advised by the University of Stirling on 30 May 2022); that the appointment of Councillor Forson on 25 May 2022 is not required; and that this Committee is removed from the list of outside bodies.

3.0 Background

- 3.1. The Council receives requests for elected member representation on a range of committees, boards and groups. These additional requests were received after the Statutory Meeting of Clackmannanshire Council held on 25 May 2022.
- 3.2. The Appendix to this report sets out those organisations on which Council has been invited to be represented.
- 3.3. The remarks in the third column of the table at the Appendix set out where there is prescribed representation or provides further information on the criteria for selection.
- 3.4. At the meeting of Clackmannanshire Council held on 24 October 2019, the Council took up membership of iESE. Membership is open to any public body delivering public services in the UK. There was no joining or annual membership fee and there is a £1 limit of liability for members. In return, the Council is asked to provide an elected member representative to vote at the Annual General Meeting. iESE members also nominate candidates for election to the company Board on an annual basis, again these are usually elected members.

4.0 Considerations - Requirements

- 4.1. Elected Members nominated to fill some positions may be required to undertake training on their duties. Such training will normally be provided inhouse and appointed members should be prepared to attend.
- 4.2. In accordance with Section 4 of the Councillors' Code of Conduct, every elected member has a personal responsibility to register interests, financial or otherwise. The Code advises that Councillors must register all directorships and positions of office in public bodies, clubs, organisations and societies. Guidance notes on the registration of interests have been issued to every Clackmannanshire Councillor.

5.0 Sustainability Implications - n/a

6.0 **Resource Implications**

- 6.1. Financial Details
- 6.2. The full financial implications of the recommendations are set out in the report. This includes a reference to full life cycle costs where appropriate. Yes □
- 6.3. Finance have been consulted and have agreed the financial implications as set out in the report. Yes □
- 6.4. Staffing

7.0 Exempt Reports

7.1. Is this report exempt? Yes (please detail the reasons for exemption below) No 🗹

8.0 Declarations

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

(1) **Our Priorities** (Please double click on the check box \square)

Clackmannanshire will be attractive to businesses & people and ensure fair opportunities for all Our families; children and young people will have the best possible start in life Women and girls will be confident and aspirational, and achieve their full potential Our communities will be resilient and empowered so that they can thrive and flourish

(2) Council Policies (Please detail)

9.0 Equalities Impact

9.1 Have you undertaken the required equalities impact assessment to ensure that no groups are adversely affected by the recommendations?
 Yes □ No ☑

10.0 Legality

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

11.0 Appendices

11.1 Please list any appendices attached to this report. If there are no appendices, please state "none".

Appendix 1 – List of Outside Bodies for consideration

12.0 Background Papers

12.1 Have you used other documents to compile your report? (All documents must be kept available by the author for public inspection for four years from the date of meeting at which the report is considered)

Yes 🔲 (please list the documents below) No 🗹

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APPENDIX 1

Name of Outside Body	Number Of Reps	Comments / Criteria
Scottish Joint Council (SJC)	1	The Scottish Joint Council (SJC) covers the majority of the Local Government Workforce. COSLA represents the employers and our three nationally recognised unions – Unison, Unite, and GMB – represent the employees. The full SJC, where each of our 32 councils has a nominated member meets once a year in November. COSLA is seeking nominations from all local authorities. SJC nominations are separate from COSLA nominations and can be any elected member.
Central Scotland Valuation Joint Board (Substitute Members)	3	 VJB comprises 15 elected members drawn from the three constituent authorities, with Clackmannanshire having three representatives. At the Statutory Meeting of Council held on 25 May 2022, the Council appointed Councillors Balsillie, Earle and Benny. The VJB are seeking three named substitutes for the above Councillors. There is no requirement for political balance on the VJB