

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

COMMITTEE	Council
DATE	19 December 2012
LEAD OFFICER	Chief Executive
TITLE OF REPORT	Appointments
REPORT NUMBER:	OCE/12/030

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To bring before the Council vacancies for representation on the Boards of Sport Aberdeen and Oakbank School.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Council agrees representatives to fill the vacancy on the Sport Aberdeen Board and the three vacancies on the Oakbank School Trust.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

As noted in the original reports on appointments to the Statutory Meeting of the Council on 16 May 2012, the financial implications associated with the subject matter of this report are negligible.

4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

There are no other implications to this report.

5. BACKGROUND/MAIN ISSUES

At the Statutory Meeting on 16 May 2012, Council considered reports on the appointment of members to specific sub-committees, groups, Council-supported trusts and boards (CG/12/056) and on the appointment of representatives to outside bodies (CG/12/057).

With regard to the former report, Council resolved to defer consideration of the appointment of members to the trusts and boards appended to that report for discussion amongst Group Leaders. With regard to the latter report, Council resolved to agree that a meeting of Group Leaders be held in early course to agree the appointment of members to the various bodies listed in appendices appended to that report.

Sport Aberdeen

Following a meeting of the Group Leaders on 23 May 2012, at its meeting of 1 June 2012 the Urgent Business Committee considered and agreed a report by the Chief Executive on appointments (OCE/12/009). This report detailed the appointment of 3 members (including an opposition member) to the Board of Sport Aberdeen – Councillors Dickson, Forsyth and Lawrence.

Councillor Forsyth has now intimated his resignation from the Board and consequently the Council is requested to agree a representative to fill this vacancy. For the Council's information, in relation to the appointment of Council representatives the Memorandum and Articles of Sport Aberdeen state that they "shall be appointed on the basis of their having skills and experience which, in the opinion of the Council, would allow them to make a substantial contribution to the work of the Board".

Oakbank School Trust

With regard to the Oakbank School Trust, as requested by the Council at its meeting of 13 June 2012 the Chief Executive reported to the Council at its meeting on 22 August 2012 (OCE/12/016) on the requirement for Council representation on the Board. The report detailed that the Scheme of Administration of the Oakbank School Trust states that nine of the eleven Governors of the Trust should be elected by Aberdeen City Council. Not fewer than five of the nine should be experienced in Education and not fewer than four of the nine should be experienced in Social Work. The Trust has confirmed that it wishes the full complement of Council representatives appointed. The report recommended that three further members are appointed.

At its meeting of 22 August 2012 the Council resolved to note that the SNP Group would give consideration to appointing members to the Oakbank School Board of Governors if a copy of their accounts could be provided to them.

Having been provided by the Trust on 10 October 2012, a copy of the Oakbank School Trust accounts was provided to Councillor McCaig by the Head of Service, Office of Chief Executive on 11 October 2012.

The Council is requested to agree three representatives to fill the vacancies on the Oakbank School Trust.

6. IMPACT

Representation on the various sub-committees, trusts, boards and outside bodies assists the Council in fulfilling its role in delivering the Single Outcome Agreement.

7. BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

8. REPORT AUTHOR DETAILS

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