

South Ayrshire Council

**Report by Chief Governance Officer
to South Ayrshire Council
of 26 June 2025**

Subject: Representation on Working Groups, Etc

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek approval to make alterations to the membership of Working Groups.

2. Recommendation

2.1 It is recommended that the Council:

2.1.1 notes the change in the representative nominated by members of the Administration identified at 4.1 as a member of the Best Value Member/ Officer Working Group;

2.1.2 requests that officers make the required amendments to the list of Working Groups to reflect this change; and

2.1.3 considers any other amendments which might be required to membership of Working Groups.

3. Background

3.1 The Council is currently represented on a number of external Working Groups and has previously agreed to the formation of a number of internal Member/ Officer Working Groups.

3.2 At a special meeting on 23 May 2025, the Council agreed that Councillor Brian Connolly, as Leader of the Council, be appointed to the Best Value Member/ Officer Working Group. (Councillor Connolly was already a member of the Working Group.)

4. Proposals

Best Value Member/ Officer Working Group

4.1 Members of the Administration have requested that the Council notes and approves the following change:

- Councillor Alec Clark is appointed as a member of the Best Value Member/ Officer Working Group.

5. Legal and Procurement Implications

5.1 There are no legal implications arising from this report.

5.2 There are no procurement implications arising from this report.

6. Financial Implications

6.1 Not applicable.

7. Human Resources Implications

7.1 Not applicable.

8. Risk

8.1 *Risk Implications of Adopting the Recommendations*

8.1.1 There are no risks associated with adopting the recommendations.

8.2 *Risk Implications of Rejecting the Recommendations*

8.2.1 There are no risks associated with rejecting the recommendations.

9. Integrated Impact Assessment (incorporating Equalities)

9.1 The proposals in this report do not require to be assessed through an Integrated Impact Assessment as they relate to governance matters.

10. Sustainable Development Implications

10.1 ***Considering Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)*** - This report does not propose or seek approval for a plan, policy, programme or strategy or document otherwise described which could be considered to constitute a plan, programme, policy or strategy.

11. Options Appraisal

11.1 An options appraisal has not been carried out in relation to the subject matter of this report.

12. Link to Council Plan

12.1 The matters referred to in this report contribute to Priority 4 of the Council Plan: Efficient and effective enabling services.

13. Link to Shaping Our Future Council Yes No

13.1 Not applicable.

14. Results of Consultation

14.1 There has been no consultation on the contents of this report.

14.2 Consultation has taken place with Councillor Brian Connolly, Portfolio Holder for Corporate and Strategic, and the contents of this report reflect any feedback provided.

15. Next Steps for Decision Tracking Purposes

15.1 If the recommendations above are approved by Members, the Chief Governance Officer will ensure that all necessary steps are taken to ensure full implementation of the decision within the following timescales, with the completion status reported to the Cabinet in the 'Council and Cabinet Decision Log' at each of its meetings until such time as the decision is fully implemented:

<i>Implementation</i>	<i>Due date</i>	<i>Managed by</i>
Publish details of membership of Working Groups	4 July 2025	Service Lead – Democratic Governance

Background Papers [Scheme of Delegation](#)

Report to South Ayrshire Council (Special) of 23 May 2025 - [Appointments to Panel and Representation on Outside Bodies, Working Groups and COSLA](#)

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