

**South Ayrshire Council**

**Report by Chief Executive  
to South Ayrshire Council  
of 6 November 2025**

**Subject: Results of Local Government By-Election 2025 – Ward 3: Ayr North**

**1. Purpose**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to advise the Council of the outcome of the recent By-Election in Ward 3 - Ayr North.

**2. Recommendation**

2.1 **It is recommended that the Council notes the outcome of the By-Election for Ward 3 – Ayr North and the election of Wullie Hogg as Councillor for this electoral ward.**

**3. Background**

3.1 Following the death of Councillor Mark Dixon, a By-Election was held in Electoral Ward 3 – Ayr North on 16 October 2025.

3.2 Eight candidates stood in the election, with polling being conducted using the Single Transferable Vote System.

**4. Proposals**

4.1 The result of the By-Election was as follows:

<i><b>Candidate</b></i>	<i><b>First Preference</b></i>	<i><b>Elected at Stage</b></i>
BULIKJ, Orhan	51	
DOUGLAS, Ian	790	
DUNCAN, John	691	
GRAHAM, Mason	73	
HOGG, Wullie	850	8
PATERSON, David	195	
PETRIE, David	151	
RUSSELL, Andrew	584	

- 4.2 More detailed information is available on the Council's [website](#).
- 4.3 Wullie Hogg (Independent) was elected as Councillor to fill the Ward 3 – Ayr North vacancy.
- 4.4 With the election of Wullie Hogg, the political balance of the Council at the date of the by-election was:

Alba	1
Independent	11
Scottish Conservative and Unionist Party	6
Scottish Labour Party	5
Scottish National Party (SNP)	5

## 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.

## 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 Not applicable.

**15. Next Steps for Decision Tracking Purposes**

15.1 If the recommendations above are approved by Members, the Chief Executive 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:

<b>Implementation</b>	<b>Due date</b>	<b>Managed by</b>
Report for noting only – no further action	Not applicable	Not applicable

**Background Papers** None

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