
Report To:	Education & Communities Committee	Date:	7 November 2023
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Subject:	Update on Parental Representative for Education Part of the Education & Communities Committee		

1.0 PURPOSE AND SUMMARY

1.1 For Decision For Information/Noting

1.2 This report is to update the Committee on the election of a parent representative on the Education part of the Education and Communities Committee.

1.3 When the previous parental representative resigned, the post was advertised but at the time there was no interest.

1.4 At the most recent meeting of the Chairs of Parent Councils there was potential interest in the post but given the time that has passed since the previous request for nominations, the service have re-established the election process in accordance with the approved scheme of delegation. It is anticipated that this will be complete by the next committee.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 It is recommended that the Education and Communities Committee:

- notes the content of this report and;
- notes that the election process for a parental representative on the Education part of the Education and Communities Committee is currently being progressed.

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3.0 BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT

- 3.1 Following the resignation of the parental representative on the Education part of the Education and Communities Committee, the service advertised for a new representative but with no success. This was reported to the Education and Communities Committee on the 14 June 2022.
- 3.2 Since the resignation, officers have been in communication with chairs of parent councils to try to get a volunteer to stand as a parent representative on the Education Committee.
- 3.3 At the September meeting of the Chairs of Parent Councils, the Corporate Director once again asked for potential volunteers for the post and this time there has been some interest.

4.0 PROPOSALS

- 4.1 Because of the length of time since the previous request for nominations it has been necessary to re-establish the election process in accordance with the approved scheme of delegation.
- 4.2 The process for nomination and potential election is being progressed and the outcome will be notified to the next Committee once the process has finished.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 The table below shows whether risks and implications apply if the recommendation(s) is(are) agreed:

SUBJECT	YES	NO
Financial		X
Legal/Risk	X	
Human Resources		X
Strategic (Partnership Plan/Council Plan)		X
Equalities, Fairer Scotland Duty & Children/Young People's Rights & Wellbeing		X
Environmental & Sustainability		X
Data Protection		X

5.2 Finance

One off Costs

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	Budget Years	Proposed Spend this Report	Virement From	Other Comments
N/A					

Annually Recurring Costs/ (Savings)

Cost Centre	Budget Heading	With Effect from	Annual Net Impact	Virement From (If Applicable)	Other Comments
N/A					

5.3 Legal/Risk

Advice has been sought from Legal Services for this paper.

5.4 Human Resources

N/A

5.5 Strategic

N/A

6.0 CONSULTATION

6.1 N/A

7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

7.1 N/A