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<b>Report To:</b>	<b>Education &amp; Communities Committee</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>23 January 2024</b>
<b>Report By:</b>	<b>Ruth Binks Corporate Director Education, Communities &amp; Organisational Development</b>	<b>Report No:</b>	<b>EDUCOM/07/24/EMcL</b>
<b>Contact Officer:</b>	<b>Elaine McLoughlin</b>	<b>Contact No:</b>	
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Update on Parental Representative for Education Part of the Education &amp; Communities Committee</b>		

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## **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 September 2023 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 re-established the election process in accordance with the approved scheme of delegation.
- 1.5 One nomination for the Parent Representative to serve on the Education and Communities Committee was received from Fiona MacDonald, Ardgowan Primary Parent Council Chair.
- 1.6 Since there was only one nomination received for the Parent Representative, a ballot was not required.

## **2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to approve the appointment of Fiona MacDonald as Parent Representative to serve on the Education and Communities Committee in accordance with the Scheme of Arrangements.

**Ruth Binks**  
**Corporate Director**  
**Education, Communities & Organisational Development**

### 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 IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 The table below shows whether risks and implications apply if the recommendation is agreed:

<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
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

#### 4.2 Finance

##### One off Costs

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

##### Annually Recurring Costs/ (Savings)

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

#### 4.3 Legal/Risk

Advice has been sought from Legal Services for this paper.

#### 4.4 Human Resources

N/A

#### 4.5 Strategic

N/A

### 5.0 CONSULTATION

- 5.1 N/A

### 6.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 6.1 N/A