
Report To:	Regeneration Committee	Date: 27 October 2011
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Subject:	Second Call for Nominations for Community Councillors	

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek Committee approval to issue a second call for nominations for Community Councillors in the 4 areas where no or few nominations were received in the first round which closed on 9 September 2011.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 At a Special Meeting convened on 14 April 2011, Inverclyde Council agreed a new Scheme of Administration for Community Councils which would come into force following the first elections under the new scheme.
- 2.2 At its meeting on 1 September 2011 the Regeneration Committee approved a timetable for Community Council elections which outlined the process of seeking nominations and for elections where the number of nominations exceeded the designated number of Community Councillors. Committee also agreed a maximum and minimum number of councillors for each community council area. The minimum number was set at 5 which is the lowest number at which a community council could be deemed to be viable.
- 2.3 The revised Scheme for the Establishment of Community Councils in Scotland allows for the local authority to issue a second call for nominations for a community council area failing to meet the minimum membership requirement within 6 months of the closing date for the registration of the first call for nominations.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 It is recommended that Committee approve a second call, to take place prior to 9 March 2012, for nomination of Community Councillors to the following areas:
- Port Glasgow East
 - Greenock East
 - Greenock Central
 - Holefarm/Cowdenknowes.

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