

**ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL**

**Oban, Lorn and the Isles**

## **Appointments to Outside Organisations**

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### **2.0 INTRODUCTION**

2.1 The Area Committee made appointments to various outside bodies and organisations at the meeting held on 15 June 2022. Since that time vacancies have arisen on the Atlantis Leisure Board and West Highland Housing Association.

### **3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

3.1 The Area Committee is asked to:

3.1.1 Note the position in relation to nominations for West Highland Housing Association, and

3.1.2 Consider the appointment of an Elected Member to the Atlantis Leisure Board.

### **4.0 DETAIL**

4.1 Councillor Martin advised officers on 22nd August 2023 of her wish to withdraw from her appointments to the Atlantis Leisure Board and West Highland Housing Association (WHHA).

4.2 WHHA is a registered Social Landlord providing affordable housing in Oban, Lorn and the Isles and Islay, Colonsay and Jura. It is anticipated that a Special General Meeting scheduled to take place on the 7<sup>th</sup> September may, in line with recent regulations, agree changes to their rules and Board composition to include reducing the number of council nominations onto the Board from two down to one. Councillor Dougie MacFadzean, member for Ward 2, Kintyre and the Isles, is currently a Board member of WHHA. An update on this will be reported to Members at the OLI Committee meeting.

4.3 Atlantis Leisure is a charity who deliver key services to the local community. Incorporated in July 1992 and run a centre with facilities including a 4 lane 25 meter swimming pool, small pool, 2 squash courts, 3 tennis courts, 2 outdoor pitches, climbing wall, 3 tier soft play, two dance studios, 35 station gym, meeting rooms, cafe, beauty therapy room and a 6 court sports hall. Within these facilities they run sporting and non-sporting events (National/Regional/Community), and group fitness classes.

4.3 Appointments made to outside organisations will be until the next Local

Government Elections scheduled for May 2027.

## **5.0 CONCLUSION**

5.1 This report advises the Area Committee of the current situation in regard to the appointments to the Atlantis Leisure Board and West Highland Housing Association.

## **6.0 IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 Policy – none

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