

**To: Renfrew Local Partnership**

**On: 6 February 2019**

**Report by:**

Chief Executive, Renfrewshire Council

**TITLE:**

**Membership of Renfrew Local Partnership**

**1. Summary**

- 1.1 The purpose of this paper is to invite standing members of Renfrew Local Partnership to agree the appointment of community representatives to vacant positions within the Local Partnership.

**2. Recommendations**

- 2.1 It is recommended that standing members of Renfrew Local Partnership:
- (a) Consider the summary of applications received in relation to the places for community representatives on the Local Partnership which require to be filled, as set out at paragraph 3.6 and;
  - (b) Discuss and agree those applicants which members of the Local Partnership wish to appoint to fill the vacant community representative positions on the Local Partnership in accordance with the criteria set out in the application process and referenced at paragraph 3.5.

**3. Background**

- 3.1 As set out in the paper agreed by Renfrewshire Council on 27 September 2018, membership of Local Partnerships will be comprised of an equal number of elected members from Renfrewshire Council and Community Representatives.
- 3.2 The standing members of the Local Partnership are those elected members from Renfrewshire Council which represent the Local Partnership area and a representative of active Community Councils in the area. In this Local Partnership area there are seven eligible Renfrewshire Council members as follows:

1.	Councillor John Shaw - <b>Chair</b>
2.	Councillor Bill Brown
3.	Councillor Lisa Marie Hughes
4.	Councillor Jane Strang
5.	Councillor Edward Grady
6.	Councillor Cathy McEwan
7.	Councillor Jim Paterson

- 3.3 As there are seven elected members eligible to sit on this Local Partnership, this means there are seven spaces for Community Representatives. Active Community Councils are automatically allocated a Community Representative space. There is one Community Council in this area, which is active. The name of the Community Council and its representative are as follows:

1.	Renfrew Community Council	Callum Reid
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- 3.4 This means that there are six spaces remaining to be filled by community representatives.
- 3.5 Criteria have been developed to support members to come to a decision on the appointment of community representatives. These were set out as part of the application and are as follows:
- Size of the community the group represents.
  - Mechanisms in place to communicate with the local community.
  - Whether a group represents or support a community of interest and how connected the group is to other community groups in the area.
- 3.6 Nine organisations have expressed an interest in providing a community representative. These are:

<b>Applicant</b>	<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Summary of Application Information</b>
Samantha Gillan	Renfrew YMCA	Organise provision of recreational facilities and advance educational opportunities by organising programmes through activities and discussion. Promote citizenship and develop community spirit and support and advance young people to reach their potential. Renfrew YMCA work with over 50 young people on a weekly basis, who are engaged through social media, face to face and through schools. Positive working relationships with four local primary schools, two high schools, OPOF and Renfrew Development Trust.
Margaret Laird	Cherrie Centre	In existence for 40 years and employ 10 people, with a range of volunteers. Activities include nursery care, after school care, clubs and social activities. Around 150 people attend these clubs each week. Communicate by Facebook page and newsletter. Connected to Moorpark Community Association, Friends of Knockhill Park, OPOF and others.
Roberta Robertson	Renfrew Development Trust	Renfrew Development Trust is a community-led organisation set up to make Renfrew a better place to live, work and visit. Renfrew Development Trust has a community action plan to 2023 which was devised in full consultation with local people.
Diane Booth	Our Place Our Families	Our Place Our Families (OPOF) have 35 volunteers and 4 staff. OPOF are connected to many other groups in the area.
Donna Brown	Arkleston and Newmains Club	8 people are on the Arkleston and Newmains committee. Arkleston and Newmains Club engages with all the groups that meet in their hall.
Thomas Johnston	Renfrew FC	Renfrew Football Club was formed in 1912 and runs 16 teams, both male and female, from age 5 upwards. Communication is through press, local media and public meetings. Also active in local schools.
David Hoey	Renfrew Burgh Band	Renfrew Burgh Band has been in existence for over 30 years. It provides tuition in music and plays for the entertainment of local people in Renfrew. 25 people in the full band, but play to a much larger audience.
Ramsay MacLennan	30 Acres	30 acres skatepark group is currently run by 12 members, with over 2,000 members since the group was established. Connections with different local groups within Renfrew and currently seeking to broaden the appeal of the skatepark.
Margaret Reid	Over 60s Club	Well attended club for people over 60 in Renfrew, based at Arkleston and Newmains Community Centre. The club meets every week.

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