

2nd December, 2021

Agenda Item No. 8

Appointment to External Organisation – St Andrews Links Management Committee and St Andrew Links Trust

Report by: Head of Legal & Democratic Services

Wards Affected: All wards

Purpose

To appoint a non-elected member representative to the St Andrews Links Trust Management Committee and the reappointment of the Provost to the St Andrews Links Trust.

Recommendation(s)

The Council is asked to:-

- (1) approve the appointment of Jim Lindsay, a nominee from the local golf clubs, to the St. Andrews Links Management Committee, for a second term, for the period 1st January, 2022 to 31st December, 2025; and
- (2) approve the reappointment of the Provost (Councillor Leishman) to the St Andrews Links Trust to the end of the current Administration (May 2022).

Resource Implications

None

Legal & Risk Implications

The proposed nomination is in accordance with Protocol Agreement and the St. Andrews Links Order 1974.

Impact Assessment

An EqIA is not required because the report does not propose a change or revision to existing policies and practices.

Consultation

The respective organisation confirmed at the last review of External Organisations that they still require Council representation.

1.0 Background

St Andrews Links Trust Management Committee – Non-Elected Member Representation

- 1.1 The St. Andrews Links Trust Management Committee consists of eight members, four of which are appointed by Fife Council and appointments are made for a four year period. In accordance with the Protocol Agreement which exists between the Council and the St. Andrews Links Trust, the local golf clubs are invited to take up two of the Council places on the Management Committee. The St. Andrews Links Order 1974 also states that persons appointed to the Management Committee shall have close connections with the town of St. Andrews and its golfing community.
- 1.2 The term of appointment of Jim Lindsay, a representative of the local golf clubs (nominated by the Inter-Club Liaison Committee (ICLC)), is due to expire on 31st December, 2021. Members nominated by the ICLC to the Links Management Committee are restricted to two terms of appointment.
- 1.3 The Council's other representatives on the Management Committee are Councillors Lesley Backhouse and Brian Thomson and Tom Gallacher, a representative from the local golf clubs.
- 1.4 The ICLC have recommended that Jim Lindsay be appointed for a second term.

St Andrews Links Trust – Elected Member Representation

- 1.5 The St. Andrews Links Trust consists of eight members who are Trustees of the Links Trust, three of whom are appointed by Fife Council.

Appointments to the Links Trust are for a 3 year period however this appointment would only be until May, 2022 when all nominations will be reviewed.
- 1.6 The Provost was appointed by Fife Council on 13th December, 2018 as one of their representatives on the St. Andrews Links Trust, and his term of appointment is due to expire on 31st December, 2021.
- 1.7 The other two Council representatives are Councillor Ann Verner, and Mrs. Sandra Tuddenham, a representative from the local golf clubs.
- 1.8 It should be noted that members cannot be appointed to the St. Andrews Links Trust if they are already members of the St. Andrews Links Management Committee (or vice versa).

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