



## INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES COMMITTEE – 24 AUGUST, 2017

### APPOINTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES SUB-COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS AND INTER-AUTHORITY WORKING GROUPS – GORDON FISHINGS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

#### 1 Recommendations

- 1.1 **It is recommended that the Committee consider (a) the nomination of Councillors to the Gordon Fishings Management Committee, and (b) the delegation of nomination of Members to the relevant area committees.**

#### 2 Background / Discussion

- 2.1 Although this group, a joint board between representatives of local angling clubs and Councillors previously reported to the Education, Leisure and Learning Committee, the revision of Committee responsibilities with the implementation of the new Scheme of Governance in January 2017 now gives responsibility for the Gordon Fishings Management Committee to the Infrastructure Services Committee. This report requests that Members consider (1) the nomination of councillors to the Management Committee; and (2) whether the nomination should be delegated to the Garioch and Marr Area Committees.
- 2.2 The Fishings Management Committee was established by Gordon District Council to “make provision for the better management of the Council’s waters... and making the best possible use of the Council’s waters thereby imparting the fullest benefit to the said Council and the inhabitants of Gordon District.”
- 2.3 In addition to the five Councillors who sit on the Management Committee, representatives from the Inverurie, Kintore, and Kemnay Angling Clubs are also members.
- 2.4 The Council’s waters are at Alford, Kintore, and Inverurie, and local ward Councillors have supported the work of the Management Committee to date. Until the local government election of May 2017, Cllrs Cowling and Vernal were the Inverurie Members and Cllr Cullinane, the Kintore Councillor representative, appointed by the Garioch Area Committee; and Cllrs Latham and Petrie were appointed by the Marr Area Committee to represent Alford.
- 2.5 The Management Committee meets quarterly, with the last meeting being 16 November, 2016.
- 2.6 There are on-going discussions with local groups about the future management of the fishings which may alter the requirements to have a Management Committee, but these will be reported to Committee in due course.
- 2.7 The Head of Finance and the Monitoring Officer within Business Services have been consulted and are in agreement with the proposals. They are

satisfied that the report complies with the Scheme of Governance and relevant legislation.

**3. Scheme of Governance**

The Committee is able to consider and take a decision on this item in terms of Section F, 3.1 of the List of Committee Powers in Part 2A of the Scheme of Governance as it relates to the establishment of Sub-Committees and Working Groups.

**4. Equality, Staffing and Financial Implications**

4.1 There are no staffing and financial implications.

4.2 An equality impact assessment is not required because the proposed nomination consideration does not have a differential impact on any of the protected characteristics.

Director of Business Services

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