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30 September 2021

Dear Councillor

SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

You are requested to participate in a remote meeting of South Ayrshire Council to be held in **on Thursday 7 October 2021 at 10.00 a.m.** for the purpose of considering the undernoted business.

In light of the current COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting will be held remotely in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 2003. The meeting will be live-streamed and available to view at <https://south-ayrshire.public-i.tv/>

Yours sincerely

CATRIONA CAVES
Head of Legal, HR and Regulatory Services

B U S I N E S S

1. Provost.
2. Sederunt and Declarations of Interest.
3. Minutes of meetings of the Council and Panels.

(a) Minutes of previous meetings.

Submit for approval as correct records and authorise to be signed.

- (i) [South Ayrshire Council of 24 June 2021](#); and
- (ii) [South Ayrshire Council \(Special\) of 2 September 2021](#);

(copies herewith).

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(b) Minutes of Panels.

The minutes (copies previously issued) of the undernoted meetings are for noting:-

- (i) Audit and Governance Panel of [2 June](#), [22 June](#), [29 June \(Special\)](#) and 1 September 2021;
- (ii) Leadership Panel of [15 June](#) and [24 August 2021](#).

In accordance with the Scheme of Delegation and Standing Orders for Meetings, the recommendations in the minutes as contained in the 'C' paragraph have been referred to the Council for decision:-

- [Treasury Management Annual Report 2020/21](#)

(copy of minute excerpt herewith).

- (iii) Local Review Body of [30 March](#), [11 May](#), [1 June](#), [22 June](#) and [17 August 2021](#).
- (iv) Partnerships Panel of [18 November 2020](#), [21 April](#) and [16 June 2021](#).
- (v) Regulatory Panel – Licensing of [27 May](#), [23 June](#) and [26 August 2021](#).
- (vi) Regulatory Panel – Planning of [10 June](#), [23 June](#) and [13 July \(Special\)](#).
- (vii) Service and Performance Panel of [8 June](#) and [17 August 2021](#).

- 4. Platinum Jubilee Civic Honours Competition – Submit report by Chief Executive ([copy herewith](#)).
- 5. Representation on Outside Bodies – Submit report by Head of Legal, HR and Regulatory Services ([copy herewith](#)).
- 6. Live Webcasting of Meetings – Submit report by Head of Legal, HR and Regulatory Services ([copy herewith](#)).
- 7. Notice of Motion from Councillor Craig Mackay, seconded by Councillor Brian McGinley:-

“Council notes with concern legislation currently being enacted by the UK Government to introduce a photo identification requirement for voting at general elections. Council believes this requirement would disenfranchise those least likely to have acceptable photo ID, who are already likely to be the most marginalised and vulnerable communities.

Council acknowledges that voter fraud levels are very low, with only four convictions following the 2019 general election.

Council asserts that putting additional obstacles in the way of those who are already less likely to vote will serve only to disengage them further. Council therefore agrees:

- to respond to any consultation on photographic identification for voting with a clear position of opposition to such measures;

- that while acknowledging legislation may compel local authorities to administer and promote aspects of a photographic ID scheme (including provision of documentation to those who have no suitable ID), should this be enacted no additional council resources beyond what is legally required should be used;

- that the Leader of the Council write to the Minister for the Cabinet Office confirming South Ayrshire Council's objection to the legislation currently being enacted by the UK Government to introduce a photo identification requirement for voting at general elections."

8. Formal Questions

For more information on any of the items on this agenda, please telephone Janice McClure, Committee Services on at 01292 612169, at Wellington Square, Ayr or
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