

**SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL (SPECIAL).**

Minutes of special meeting in County Buildings, Wellington Square, Ayr,  
on 3rd February 2010 at 10.00 a.m.

Present: Councillors Winifred Sloan (Provost), John Allan, Eddie Bulik, Andy Campbell, Douglas Campbell, Ian Cavana, Brian Connolly, Peter Convery, Hywel Davies, Ian Douglas, Stan Fisher, Ian Fitzsimmons, Ann Galbraith, Sandra Goldie, Bill Grant, John Hampton, Hugh Hunter, Mary Kilpatrick, Mairi Low, John McDowall, Nan McFarlane, Bill McIntosh, Helen Moonie, Alec Oattes, Mike Peddie, Robin Reid, Philip Saxton, Tom Slider and Margaret Toner.

Apology: Councillor Elaine Little.

Attending: D. Anderson, Chief Executive; J.G. Peterkin, Depute Chief Executive and Executive Director – Development and Environment; E. Howat, Executive Director – Corporate Services; H. Garland, Executive Director – Children and Community; K. Leinster, Head of Community Care and Housing; C. Monaghan, Head of Policy, Performance and Communication; A. Wilson, Head of HR and Organisational Development; D. Robertson, Public Communications Manager; C. Downie, Public Communications Officer; C. Bradshaw, Assistant Public Communications Officer; and D. Knight, Committee Services Officer.

**1. Provost.**

The Provost

- (1) welcomed Members to the special meeting; and
- (2) on behalf of the Council, conveyed her best wishes to Councillor Elaine Little and her husband during his recent illness.

**2. Sederunt.**

The Chief Executive called the Sederunt for the meeting.

**3. Member Appointments.**

There was submitted a report (issued) of 28th January 2010 by the Chief Executive

- (1) advising that he had received the formal resignations of Councillor Hugh Hunter from the position of Leader of the Council and Councillor Robin Reid from the position of Director of the NHS Ayrshire & Arran Board, as appointed by this Council; and
- (2) invited the Council to consider the appointment of replacement members.

Councillor Hunter expressed his thanks to all Elected Members, in particular to Councillors McFarlane, McDowall and Connolly and to his Group and to Officials for their co-operation and support during his term in office and conveyed his best wishes for the future and wished his successor every success.

Councillors McFarlane, McDowall and Connolly replied in suitable terms.

The Chief Executive explained that these were key roles that should be filled as soon as possible and that following on from those appointments there might be other consequential changes in Council appointments or representation which the Council would require to approve.

**Office of Leader of the Council.**

The Provost invited nominations for the appointment of Leader of South Ayrshire Council.

Councillor Hunter, seconded by Councillor Toner, moved that Councillor McIntosh be appointed Leader of the Council.

Councillor Moonie, seconded by Councillor Saxton, moved that Councillor McDowall be appointed Leader of the Council.

The Council agreed that the vote be taken by calling the roll.

The Depute Chief Executive and Executive Director – Development and Environment then took the vote by calling the roll as follows:-

Winifred Sloan (Provost)	Councillor McIntosh
John Allan	Abstain
Eddie Bulik	Councillor McIntosh
Andy Campbell	Councillor McDowall
Douglas Campbell	Abstain
Ian Cavana	Councillor McDowall
Brian Connolly	Councillor McIntosh
Peter Convery	Councillor McIntosh
Hywel Davies	Councillor McIntosh
Ian Douglas	Abstain
Stan Fisher	Abstain
Ian Fitzsimmons	Councillor McIntosh
Ann Galbraith	Councillor McIntosh
Sandra Goldie	Councillor McDowall
Bill Grant	Councillor McIntosh
John Hampton	Councillor McIntosh
Hugh Hunter	Councillor McIntosh
Mary Kilpatrick	Councillor McIntosh
Mairi Low	Abstain
John McDowall	Councillor McDowall
Nan McFarlane	Abstain
Bill McIntosh	Councillor McIntosh
Helen Moonie	Councillor McDowall
Alec Oattes	Abstain
Mike Peddie	Abstain
Robin Reid	Councillor McIntosh
Philip Saxton	Councillor McDowall
Tom Slider	Abstain
Margaret Toner	Councillor McIntosh

Six members voted for Councillor McDowall and fourteen members for Councillor McIntosh. The Provost congratulated Councillor McIntosh on his appointment as Leader of the Council.

**Acceptance of Office as Leader of the Council.**

Councillor McIntosh, after thanking members for electing him as Leader, indicated that he looked forward with pleasure to his forthcoming period as Leader of the Council.

**Director of NHS Ayrshire & Arran.**

The Provost invited nominations for a replacement Director of the NHS Ayrshire & Arran Board.

Councillor Moonie enquired whether the Council had the powers to appoint a replacement Director to the NHS Ayrshire & Arran Board as this was a Ministerial appointment. The Depute Chief Executive and Executive Director – Development and Environment confirmed that the Council had the powers to nominate a replacement Director to the NHS Ayrshire & Arran Board and thereafter the nomination would be submitted to the relevant Scottish Minister for the necessary approval.

Councillor McDowall, seconded by Councillor Moonie, moved that Councillor Goldie be nominated as a Director of the NHS Ayrshire & Arran Board in place of Councillor Reid.

Councillor McIntosh, seconded by Councillor Toner, moved that Councillor Hunter be nominated as a Director of the NHS Ayrshire & Arran Board.

The Council agreed that the vote be taken by calling the roll.

The Depute Chief Executive and Executive Director – Development and Environment then took the vote by calling the roll as follows:-

Winifred Sloan (Provost)	Councillor Hunter
John Allan	Abstain
Eddie Bulik	Abstain
Andy Campbell	Councillor Goldie
Douglas Campbell	Abstain
Ian Cavana	Councillor Goldie
Brian Connolly	Councillor Hunter
Peter Convery	Councillor Hunter
Hywel Davies	Councillor Hunter
Ian Douglas	Abstain
Stan Fisher	Abstain
Ian Fitzsimmons	Councillor Hunter
Ann Galbraith	Councillor Hunter
Sandra Goldie	Councillor Goldie
Bill Grant	Councillor Hunter
John Hampton	Councillor Hunter
Hugh Hunter	Councillor Hunter
Mary Kilpatrick	Councillor Hunter
Mairi Low	Abstain
John McDowall	Councillor Goldie
Nan McFarlane	Abstain
Bill McIntosh	Councillor Hunter
Helen Moonie	Councillor Goldie
Alec Oattes	Abstain
Mike Peddie	Abstain

Robin Reid  
Philip Saxton  
Tom Slider  
Margaret Toner

Councillor Hunter  
Councillor Goldie  
Abstain  
Councillor Hunter

Thirteen members voted for Councillor Hunter and six members for Councillor Goldie and the Provost congratulated Councillor Hunter on his nomination as a replacement Director on the NHS Ayrshire & Arran Board.

### **Leadership Panel Portfolio.**

The Provost invited nominations for the consequential vacancy on the Leadership Panel Portfolio.

**Decided:** to agree that Councillor Reid be appointed to the Leadership Panel and as the Portfolio-holder for Resources and Performance.

### **Convention of Scottish Local Authorities, Ayr Renaissance Board and Chief Officers' Appointments / Appraisal Panel.**

The Provost invited nominations for consequential vacancies on the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities, the Ayr Renaissance Board and the Chief Officers' Appointments / Appraisal Panel.

**Decided:** to agree that Councillor McIntosh be appointed to the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities, the Ayr Renaissance Board and the Chief Officers' Appointments / Appraisal Panel.

### **Community Services Standing Scrutiny Panel and Scrutiny/Governance Management Panel.**

The Provost invited nominations for consequential vacancies on the Community Services Standing Scrutiny Panel and the Scrutiny/Governance Management Panel.

Councillor McIntosh, seconded by Councillor Toner, moved that Councillor Hunter be appointed as a member, and Vice-Chair, of the Community Services Standing Scrutiny Panel and as a member of the Scrutiny/Governance Management Panel.

Councillor Moonie, seconded by Councillor Andy Campbell, moved that Councillor McDowall be appointed to the Scrutiny/Governance Management Panel and that Councillor Cavana be appointed to the Community Services Standing Scrutiny Panel.

The Council agreed that the vote be taken by calling the roll.

The Depute Chief Executive and Executive Director – Development and Environment then took the vote by calling the roll as follows:-

Winifred Sloan (Provost)  
John Allan  
Eddie Bulik  
Andy Campbell  
Douglas Campbell  
Ian Cavana

Councillor Hunter  
Abstain  
Abstain  
Councillors McDowall and Cavana  
Councillor Hunter  
Councillors McDowall and Cavana

Brian Connolly	Councillor Hunter
Peter Convery	Councillor Hunter
Hywel Davies	Councillor Hunter
Ian Douglas	Abstain
Stan Fisher	Abstain
Ian Fitzsimmons	Councillor Hunter
Ann Galbraith	Councillor Hunter
Sandra Goldie	Councillors McDowall and Cavana
Bill Grant	Councillor Hunter
John Hampton	Councillor Hunter
Hugh Hunter	Councillor Hunter
Mary Kilpatrick	Councillor Hunter
Mairi Low	Abstain
John McDowall	Councillors McDowall and Cavana
Nan McFarlane	Abstain
Bill McIntosh	Councillor Hunter
Helen Moonie	Councillors McDowall and Cavana
Alec Oattes	Abstain
Mike Peddie	Abstain
Robin Reid	Councillor Hunter
Philip Saxton	Councillors McDowall and Cavana
Tom Slider	Abstain
Margaret Toner	Councillor Hunter

Six members voted for Councillors McDowall and Cavana and fourteen members for Councillor Hunter and the Provost congratulated Councillor Hunter on his appointment as Vice-Chair of the Community Services Standing Scrutiny Panel and as a member of the Scrutiny/Governance Management Panel.

The meeting ended at 10.35 a.m.