

REPORT TO: East Lothian Council

MEETING DATE: 22 April 2014

BY: Depute Chief Executive (Resources and People Services)

SUBJECT: Appointment of Representatives to Outside Bodies

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To seek Council approval of the nomination of one Elected Member to the Lothian Buses Regional Sub-Committee.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the Council:
- approves the appointment of Councillor Veitch to represent the Council on the Lothian Buses Regional Sub-Committee;
 - notes that a Council officer will act as an officer representative on the Lothian Buses Regional Sub-Committee.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 As part of a shareholder restructure of Lothian Buses Ltd, a Regional Sub-Committee has been established, which will consider wider regional matters affecting East Lothian, Midlothian and West Lothian (the minority shareholders). The Council has been asked to nominate an Elected Member and an officer to represent the Council on this sub-committee. The Administration proposes that Councillor Veitch is the nominated councillor representative.
- 3.2 A representative from one of the minority shareholder councils will also be appointed to the role of Observer to the Board of Lothian Buses. The Observer will receive all information relating to Board meetings and will be able to attend and speak at meetings of the Board, but they will not be able to vote.
- 3.3 A report providing further details of the shareholder restructure at Lothian Buses has been lodged in the Members' Library (Ref 66/14, March 2014 Bulletin).

- 3.1 Members are asked to note that the updated list of representation on outside bodies will be published on the Council's website.

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 None.

5 EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 5.1 This report is not applicable to the well being of equalities groups and an Equalities Impact Assessment is not required.

6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Financial – There may be expenses incurred in relation to allowances and other expenses Council appointees attending meetings of such Bodies, but these will be similar to expense for such purposes incurred in the past and will be met from the appropriate budgets.
- 6.2 Personnel – none.
- 6.3 Other – none.

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 Report to the Members' Library: Lothian Buses – Shareholder Restructure Ref: 66/14 (March 2014 Bulletin).

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