

REPORT TO: East Lothian Council

MEETING DATE: 25 August 2020

BY: Depute Chief Executive (Resources and People Services)

SUBJECT: Dissolution of Musselburgh Racing Associated Committee

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To advise Council of the dissolution of Musselburgh Racing Associated Committee (MRAC) and seek approval of a mechanism to deal with any outstanding business associated with MRAC.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

Council is requested to:

- 2.1 note that the final meeting of the Musselburgh Racing Associated Committee (MRAC) took place on 22 June 2020, following which the operation of the Racecourse transferred to Chester Race Company Ltd (on 24 June 2020);
- 2.2 approve the removal from Standing Orders of the Scheme of Administration for MRAC; and
- 2.3 delegate authority to the Chief Executive to deal with any outstanding matters in relation to MRAC, in consultation with Councillor O'Donnell as the former Chair of MRAC.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Members will be aware that the operation of Musselburgh Racecourse was transferred to Chester Race Company Ltd on 24 June 2020, and that the Musselburgh Racing Associated Committee ceased to operate at the point of transfer; the final meeting of the Committee took place on 22 June 2020. In accordance with Standing Order 13.2(ii), the removal of any Committee from the Scheme of Administration requires the approval of two-thirds of Members. Members are therefore asked

to approve the removal of the MRAC Scheme of Administration from Standing Orders.

- 3.3 Members are asked to delegate authority to the Chief Executive, in consultation with Councillor O'Donnell as the former MRAC Chair, to deal with any outstanding business associated with MRAC.

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 None

5 INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 5.1 The subject of this report does not affect the wellbeing of the community or have a significant impact on equality, the environment or economy.

6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Financial – None
6.2 Personnel – None
6.3 Other - None

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 East Lothian Council's Standing Orders
7.2 Report approved under COVID-19 Emergency Recess Arrangements – Procurement for an Operator of Musselburgh Racecourse (private report in the Members' Library, Ref: 62/20, May 2020 Bulletin)

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