



**BUDGET AND STRATEGY BOARD: MEMBERSHIP**

Report by Chief Executive

**PURPOSE**

- 1.1 The purpose of the Report is to provide an update on the membership of the Budget and Strategy Board.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 2.1 The Comhairle appointed members to the Budget and Strategy Board in June 2022 with a remit to oversee the detail of the Comhairle's budget throughout the year and implementation of the Comhairle's Budget Strategy. The remit was extended in December 2022 to include consideration of policy and strategy development and to act as a political sounding board. The Comhairle further agreed to extend the membership by appointing Cllr Donald F Crichton as the remaining chair not already a member of the Board and Cllr Gordon Murray as the remaining political group leader not currently on the Board.
- 2.2 Dr Frances Murray has been elected as the new Leader of the SNP Group and was invited to replace Cllr Gordon Murray at the last meeting of the Budget and Strategy Board.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 3.1 **It is recommended that the Comhairle confirm the appointment of Dr Frances Murray, SNP Group Leader, to the Budget and Strategy Board.**

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Appendix: None  
Background Papers: Scheme of Administration

## IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The following implications are applicable in terms of the Report.

<b>Resource Implications</b>	<b>Implications/None</b>
Financial	This Report is concerned entirely with constitutional matters.
Legal	The Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 Section 56 details the arrangements for discharge of functions by local authorities.
Staffing	None
Assets and Property	None
<b>Strategic Implications</b>	<b>Implications/None</b>
Risk	Reputational risk if the Comhairle does not have an update to date and fit for purpose governance framework in place.
Equalities/Child Rights	None
Corporate Strategy	The Comhairle will continue to have in place proper arrangements (known as the Governance Framework) for the governance of the Comhairle's affairs and to facilitate the exercise of its functions to work towards the outcome of strategic priority 4.1.1. The Comhairle has achieved a systematic approach to improving organisational effectiveness that aligns strategy, people and processes and the service provided is high quality, continually improving and cost effective.
Environmental Impact	None
Consultation	None