

#### AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

Report To: Inverclyde Council Date: 3 December 2009

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Subject: Appointment of Trustee to Peter Stanton Memorial Trust

#### 1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek the Council's appointment of an outside Trustee for the Peter Stanton Memorial Trust following the resignation of a Trustee.

## 2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 Trustees of the Peter Stanton Memorial trust are appointed for a term of four years. There are seven trustees one of which is a permanent Trustee. Three Trustees comprise of the Provost and two other members. The remaining trustees are not members of the Council, and are elected as Trustees by Inverclyde Council from people who are electors within the geographical area of Inverclyde, and who are nominated by disabled groups within Inverclyde.
- 2.2 If there are insufficient nominations from disabled groups within the geographical area of Inverclyde, then Trustees are to be elected by Inverclyde Council from people known to Inverclyde Council as being representative of a disabled group, or experienced in or closely associated with the provision of sport and leisure activities for the disabled within Inverclyde.
- 2.3 The Council is permitted to reappoint a Trustee on expiry of his or her term of 4 years without the need for further nomination by a disabled group.
- 2.4 If on any occasion there are more persons than the number of vacancies for the office of trustee, it is at the absolute discretion of the Council as to whom it appoints always provided that any person fulfils the requirement of being an elector within the geographical area of Inverclyde.
- 2.5 Any casual vacancy filled by the Council shall be for the balance of the four year period for which a trustee was appointed.
- 2.6 A Trustee has tendered their resignation. The period of appointment of that Trustee was due to expire at the annual general meeting in February, 2010.
- 2.7 Nominations have been sought and received from disabled groups within Inverclyde in terms of the Trust Deed for a replacement Trustee. Nominations have been received for three individuals detailed in the appendix to this report. Attached to this report are letters of nomination received as an appendix to this report and further background information concerning the nominees. All three nominees have confirmed that they are electors within the geographical area of Inverclyde, and that they are not disqualified from holding the post of Trustee. There are, therefore, three persons who are eligible for appointment to the one vacancy as trustee.

### 3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 That the Council make an appointment of a Trustee for the Peter Stanton Memorial Trust to serve in the Trust until its Annual General meeting in February, 2010.

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#### 4.0 BACKGROUND

4.1 The Peter Stanton Memorial Trust was constituted in 1993. The Trust awards financial assistance to encourage the participation of disabled people in leisure and recreational activities in Inverclyde. The Trust considers applications for financial assistance from both individuals and organisations.

### 5.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Financial Implications: None.
- 5.2 Personnel: None.
- 5.3 Legal: None.

Equalities: None.

#### 6.0 CONSULTATIONS

6.1 Disabled groups within Inverclyde were approached seeking nominations for the post of trustee.

# 7.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 Letter of nomination dated 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2009.
- 7.2 Letter of nomination dated 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2009.
- 7.3 Letter of nomination dated 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2009.
- 7.4 Summary of Nominations.