
Report To: Inverclyde Council

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Report By: Head of Legal and Administration

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Subject: Appointment of Trustees to Peter Stanton Memorial Trust

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek the Council's re-appointment of three outside Trustees to the Peter Stanton Memorial Trust given that their current term of office is due to expire in February, 2010.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 Trustees of the Peter Stanton Memorial Trust are appointed for a term of four years. There are seven trustees. Mrs Sarah Stanton, the widow of the late Peter Stanton 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 four years without the need for further nomination by a disabled group.
- 2.4 If on any occasion there are more nominations 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 The current Trustees whose term of appointment expires in February, 2010 are Mrs Eileen Gowans, Mrs Margaret McEleny and Mr John English. The current term of office of Mrs Eileen Gowans and Mrs Margaret McEleny began in February, 2006 and expires in February, 2010. John English was appointed as a Trustee by Inverclyde Council at a meeting on 3 December, 2009 following the resignation of a Trustee, whose term of office also began in February, 2006 was due to expire in February, 2010. John English was elected until February, 2010, being the balance of the previous Trustee's term of office. All three trustees have indicated that they would be willing to serve as Trustees for another term of four years until February, 2014.
- 2.7 There are, therefore, three persons who are eligible for appointment to three positions

as trustee.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 That the Council make the appointment of three Trustees for the Peter Stanton Memorial Trust to serve on the Trust for a period of four years until February, 2014.

For further information, please contact Jonathan Hamilton, Legal Services, on extension 2125.

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4.0 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 The Peter Stanton Memorial Trust was constituted in 1993. The Trust provides 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 Trustees whose term of office is due to expire in February, 2010 were consulted concerning whether they would be willing to serve as a trustee for a further four year term until February, 2014.

7.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

None