Item 1

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Glasgow City Council

Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee

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Appointment of Co-Optees to the Committee

Purpose of Report:

To seek appointment of non-voting co-optees to the Wellbeing, Equalities, Communities, Culture and Engagement City Policy Committee.

Recommendations:

Members are asked to:

- Note report
- Appoint nominated non-voting co-optees for a further 12 months

Ward No(s): All	Citywide: ✓
Local member(s) advised: Yes ☐ No ✓	consulted: Yes ☐ No ✓

1 Introduction

1.1 Within the guidelines for City Policy Committees there exists the capacity to appoint up to four people as non-voting co-optees to bring access to external expertise, knowledge and experience, as necessary.

2 Process

2.1 The Committee previously instructed officers to seek nominations from the following networks:

- Community Councils within the city
- Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network

2.2 The committee agreed that co-opted members serve on the committee for a period of 12 months and that all co-opted members be requested to adhere to the Councillors' Code of Conduct. Once this period has passed, the committee will be asked to consider the membership position.

2.3 The nominated co-optees from Community Councils and Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network have provided valuable input to the Committee over the past 12 months.

3 Nominations

It is proposed that the two identified nominations are continued for another 12 months. The nominees have indicated that they are prepared to continue as co-optee. The nominees have been advised that co-opted members are requested to adhere to the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

3.1 Nominations have been sought and received as followed:

- Community Councils within the City

Irene Loudon, Blythswood & Broomielaw Community Council

- Glasgow Third Sector Interface Network

Martina Johnston-Gray

4 Vacancies

4.1 Members are advised, following previous discussion at committee around a young person's representative co-optee, that proposals for a young person's engagement strategy, which will include interaction with committees, will be provided to the Committee's meeting on 18 April alongside a report on the Young Persons Development Day Feedback report.

5 Support for Co-Optees

5.1 Work has progressed on developing a tailored package of support for co-optees to the committee, with input from across the Council family as appropriate. It is anticipated that this support will be in the form of an initial session covering subjects such as the Glasgow Family and the Council Strategic Plan. Following this, ad-hoc briefings on reports will be offered, and a clear channel for informal discussions and queries will be established between co-optees and the lead officer for the Committee.

6 Policy and Resource Implications

Resource Implications:

Financial:	None
Legal:	None
Personnel:	None
Procurement:	None
Council Strategic Plan:	GRAND CHALLENGE FOUR – Enable staff to deliver essential services in a sustainable, innovative and efficient way for our communities MISSION 2: Run an open, well governed council in partnership with all our communities

Equality and Socio-Economic Impacts:

Does the proposal support the Council's Equality Outcomes 2021-25? Please specify.	N/A
What are the potential equality impacts as a result of this report?	N/A
Please highlight if the policy/proposal will help address socio-economic disadvantage.	N/A

Climate Impacts:

Does the proposal support any Climate Plan actions? Please specify:	N/A
What are the potential climate impacts as a result of this proposal?	N/A
Will the proposal contribute to Glasgow's net zero carbon target?	N/A

Privacy and Data Protection Impacts:	No data protection impacts noted

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