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# NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

4 June 2024

## Cabinet

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**Title:** Third Church Representation on Cabinet (Education)

**Purpose:** To advise Cabinet of the resignation of Reverend Mark Goodman as the Third Church representative on Cabinet when it considers Education business.

**Recommendation:** That the Cabinet agrees to (a) note the resignation of Reverend Mark Goodman from Cabinet; and (b) advertise for the vacancy of Third Church representative to consider Education business.

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### 1. Executive Summary

1.1 This report notes the resignation of Reverend Mark Goodman as a religious representative on Cabinet. It seeks to commence the process to fill the vacancy of the Third Church representative on Cabinet.

### 2. Background

2.1 The Council's Scheme of Administration reflects the provision within Section 124 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended by Section 31 of the Local Government Etc. (Scotland) Act 1994, in respect of the appointment of three persons interested in the promotion of religious education to serve on the Council's Cabinet when it meets to consider Education business.

2.2 At the Cabinet meeting on 23 August 2022, Reverend Mark Goodman was appointed as the Third Church representative. Reverend Goodman has now resigned and is stepping down from this role. A public notice to fill this vacancy on Cabinet will be placed in the local press for a period of one week.

### 3. Proposals

3.1 It is proposed that the Cabinet agrees to (a) note the resignation of Reverend Mark Goodman from Cabinet; and (b) advertise for the vacancy of Third Church representative to consider Education business.

### 4. Implications/Socio-economic Duty

#### Financial

4.1 None.

## **Human Resources**

4.2 None.

## **Legal**

4.3 Section 124 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended by Section 31 of the Local Government Etc. (Scotland) Act 1994, provides for the appointment of three religious representatives to serve on the Cabinet.

## **Equality/Socio-economic**

4.4 The appointment of religious representatives in the Education functions of Cabinet allows for religious involvement in decisions relating to the education of children and young people.

## **Climate Change and Carbon**

4.5 None.

## **Key Priorities**

4.6 None.

## **Community Wealth Building**

4.7 None.

## **5. Consultation**

5.1 A public notice will be placed in the local press for a period of one week.

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## **Background Papers**

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