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## NORTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

23 August 2022

### Cabinet

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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Third Church Representation on Cabinet (Education)</b>
<b>Purpose:</b>	To seek the appointment of Reverend Mark Goodman to replace Ian Haining as the Third Church representative on Cabinet when it meets to consider Education business.
<b>Recommendation:</b>	That the Cabinet agrees (a) to note the resignation of Ian Haining from Cabinet and (b) to appoint Reverend Mark Goodman as the Third Church representative on Cabinet when it meets to consider Education business.

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### 1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report notes the resignation of Ian Haining as a religious representative on Cabinet. It seeks to appoint Reverend Mark Goodman as the Third Church representative on Cabinet when it considers Education business.

### 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 A previous expression of interest that had been received in the vacancy was not taken forward. However, following formal advertisement of the Third Church Representative vacancy for Cabinet (Education) interest in the vacancy has been received from a Reverend Mark Goodman, Rector of St. Columba's Scottish Episcopal Church, Largs, who has since followed up his interest.
- 2.3 St Columba's Scottish Episcopal Church has been serving the local community since 1876, has a congregation of approximately 104. It broadly covers the north of the Council area, from West Kilbride northwards.

### 3. Proposals

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Cabinet (a) notes the resignation of Mr Ian Haining from Cabinet and (b) agrees to appoint Rev Mark Goodman as the Third Church representative on Cabinet when it considers Education business.

#### **4. Implications/Socio-economic Duty**

##### **Financial**

4.1 None arising from this report.

##### **Human Resources**

4.2 None arising from this report.

##### **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 arising from this report.

##### **Key Priorities**

4.6 Not applicable.

##### **Community Wealth Building**

4.7 Not applicable.

#### **5. Consultation**

5.1 No additional consultation required.

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#### **Background Papers**

Email correspondence concerning Third Church Representative including press advertisement