

ALL OF SCOTLAND GROUP 2014 [GLASGOW COMMONWEALTH GAMES 2014]

1. Reason for Report

To seek the appointment of a Member to represent the Council on the reconvened All of Scotland Group 2014, the purpose of which is to spread the benefits of the Glasgow Commonwealth Games 2014 throughout the rest of Scotland.

2. Glossary of Terms

COSLA Convention of Scottish Local Authorities

3. Recommendations

Members are asked to nominate an Elected Member representative to the reconvened All of Scotland Group 2014.

4. Corporate Plan Links and Contributions

Effective development of Leisure and Sport in the local community and positive economic impact can be actively encouraged through support for the Glasgow Commonwealth Games 2014 including representation on the All of Scotland Group whose purpose is to spread the benefits of the 2014 Commonwealth Games throughout the rest of Scotland.

5. Resources/Value for Money Assessment

Limited costs involved to the Council in terms of representation on the All of Scotland Group can be contained within Members' expenses and, in terms of any Officer representation required, within the Community Services revenue budgets.

6. Consultation

The Acting Director of Finance, Group Manager Corporate Support and Governance and Group Manager Economic Regeneration have been consulted in the preparation of this report and are in agreement with the content.

7. Background

7.1 At Education and Community Services Committee on 24 January 2006, Members considered a report on Scotland's Commonwealth Games Bid: 2014 and agreed as part of the decisions taken:-

- to provide written support in respect of the Bid as detailed in the committee report; and
- to receive further reports on the Bid and potential for Council and community involvement in Dumfries and Galloway.

7.2 At Education and Community Services Committee on 27 February 2007, Members considered a further report on Scotland's Commonwealth Games Bid: Glasgow 2014 request to hold a sporting exhibition and AGREED:-

- to host the Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games Bid O2 Sporting Exhibition at the Ryan Centre, Stranraer during the period 11-15 June 2007;
- to host a Civic Reception to mark the Exhibition at the Ryan Centre, Stranraer on the evening of 11 June 2007 with an application made to the Civic Hospitality budget for the Reception costs;
- to encourage schools and young persons' organisations in Dumfries and Galloway to visit the Exhibition; and
- that Dumfries Ice Bowl, the Ryan Centre, Stranraer and DG One be identified as branding sites within Dumfries and Galloway and that banners be displayed at these venues to promote the Glasgow Commonwealth Games Bid 2014.

7.3 On 9 November 2007, the Commonwealth Games Federation announced that the 2014 Commonwealth Games will be held in Glasgow.

7.4 An All of Scotland 2014 Group was established during the Bid phase to provide a vehicle for dialogue with Scotland's local authorities and national agencies which could both inform the development of the Glasgow Bid from a national perspective and keep partners updated on its progress and opportunities for supporting the Bid. The Group was chaired by the Chair of COSLA's Arts and Leisure Executive. Councillor Sandra McDowall represented the authority on this Group.

7.5 The All of Scotland Group 2014 has now been reconvened and the first meeting will be held on 11 March 2008 in Glasgow. The purpose of the All of Scotland Group is to spread the benefits of the Glasgow Commonwealth Games 2014 throughout the rest of Scotland with the following remit:-

- to co-ordinate the views of Local Government in Scotland on the potential benefits and legacies for Scotland from 2014;
- to have an ongoing dialogue with the Scottish Government, and key national agencies such as **sportscotland**, **visitscotland**, **EventScotland** and **Creative Scotland**, once established, to help and form those views and assess how 2014 will shape the development;
- resourcing and implementation of the various national strategies and targets for sport, tourism, events, culture and volunteering;
- to co-ordinate COSLA's response to key government policy statements and consultation exercises related to 2014 including the forthcoming publication of a Consultation Paper on the benefits and legacies from 2014;
- to keep COSLA informed of progress with the preparation for the Games, and opportunities for local authorities to become directly involved in specific initiatives such as the 2008 Commonwealth Sports Development Conference, the "Adopt a Country" initiative and pre-Games training camps.

7.6 All Councils are requested to appoint a Member representative to the reconvened All of Scotland Group 2014. The Group Manager Community Services continues to act as the Council Lead Officer and will provide the necessary support to the Member appointed. It is understood that the Group will meet approximately five times per year.

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Background Papers

1. Report dated 16 January 2006 - "Scotland's Commonwealth Games Bid: Glasgow 2014" considered at Education and Community Services Committee on 24 January 2006.
2. Report dated 7 February 2007 - "Scotland's Commonwealth Games Bid: Glasgow 2014 - Request to Host a Sporting Exhibition" considered at Education and Community Services Committee on 27 February 2007.