WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by Strategic Lead – Regulatory

Council: 26 August 2020

Subject: Vacancy on the Independent Resource Centre Management Committee

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to ask the Council to consider filling a vacancy on the Management Committee of the Independent Resource Centre (IRC) that has arisen following the resignation of Councillor Jim Bollan.

2. Recommendation

2.1 It is recommended that Council agrees to nominate one Elected Member to fill the vacancy on the IRC Management Committee.

3. Background

- **3.1** The Council previously, at its Statutory Meeting in May 2017, had nominated four Elected Members to sit on the IRC Management Committee, namely Councillors Jim Bollan, Jim Brown, Diane Docherty and John Mooney.
- 3.2 The aim of the IRC is to reduce poverty and address issues underpinning financial exclusion through the delivery of its services. Amongst other things the Centre provides advice and assistance to people on low incomes, who are out of work and those with unmanageable debts.

4. Main Issues

4.1 Councillor Jim Bollan tendered his resignation from the Management Committee on 5 March 2020 and therefore one vacancy now exists.

5. People Implications

5.1 There are no people implications.

6. Financial and Procurement Implications

6.1 There are no financial or procurement implications.

7. Risk Analysis

7.1 The filling of vacancies on outside bodies ensures the Council can be represented at meetings of outside bodies and that the Council's position can be informed. The non-filling of vacancies may result in meetings being

inquorate and important business not being dealt with within required timescales.

- 8. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)
- **8.1** There is no impact on equalities groups.
- 9. Consultation
- **9.1** Officers from the Council's Legal and Finance sections have been consulted on the content of this report.
- 10. Strategic Assessment
- **10.1** The Council's representation on outside bodies will contribute towards achieving the Council's Strategic Priorities.

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Appendix: None

Background Paper: Report to Statutory Meeting of West Dunbartonshire Council

on 17 May 2017 – Appointments to Council Committees

and Other Bodies

Wards Affected: All wards