

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Purpose

1. To invite the Council to consider and approve changes to the membership of the Costs and Funding Committee and the Family Law Committee.

Discussion

2. The Council's Standing Orders make provision for the appointment of committee members.
3. Standing Order 2.5 of the Council's Standing Orders provides that committee members will be appointed for a period of three years, beginning from the date upon which the Council approved the appointment. On the expiry of a period of appointment, the Council may agree to appoint a member for a further period of up to three years.

Costs and Funding Committee

4. Stewart Mullan's tenure period is due to expire on 25 January 2019. Lord Burns, Chair of the committee has approved his re-appointment, subject to Council approval. Mr Mullan has confirmed he is content to be re-appointed.
5. **The Council is invited to approve the re-appointment of Stewart Mullan to the Costs and Funding Committee for a further period of 3 years from 25 January 2019.**

Family Law Committee

6. The Secretariat was advised by the Lord President's Private Office that Sheriff Principal Lewis is to take up an appointment with the Judicial Appointments Board for Scotland and has resigned from the Family Law Committee. Lord Brailsford, chair of the committee has agreed to the nomination of Sheriff Principal Pyle for appointment to the Family Law Committee subject to Council's approval.
7. **The Council is invited to approve the appointment of Sheriff Principal Pyle to the Family Law Committee.**

Recommendations

8. **The Council is invited to:**

- **approve the re-appointment of Stewart Mullan to the Costs and Funding Committee for a further period of 3 years from 25 January 2019;**
- **appoint Sheriff Principal Pyle to the Family Law Committee for a period of three years.**

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