

ITEMS CONSIDERED BY CORRESPONDENCE

Purpose

1. To provide the Council with a note of the outcomes from items considered by correspondence since the last Council meeting held on 22 May 2023.

Matters considered

2. In considering matters by correspondence, unless otherwise advised, a nil response will indicate consent. There were six matters considered by correspondence since the last meeting:

Draft Rules

- **Paper 2023.18** was issued on 02 June 2023 and invited members to consider and approve the updated rules on Reporting Restriction Orders developed in response to the drafting instructions approved on 25 April 2022. Responses were invited by close of business on 14 June 2023. One response was received. Draft rules were approved.
- **Paper 2023.21** was issued on 26 June 2023 and invited members to consider and approve commencement of the Telecommunications Infrastructure Rules (TILPA). Responses were invited by close of business on 10 July 2023. Three responses were received. The SSI was laid on 11 August 2023 and came into force on 02 October 2023.

Administrative Matters

- **Paper 2023.19** was issued on 05 June 2023 and invited members to consider and approve the draft minutes from 22 May 2023 Council meeting. Responses were invited by close of business on 12 June 2023. Two responses were received. Final minutes were published on the Council's website.
- **Paper 2023.20** was issued on 19 June 2023 and invited members to approve the appointment of Sheriff Principal Dowdalls to the Family Law Committee and Sheriff Jillian Martin-Brown to the Costs and Funding Committee. Responses were invited by close of business on 03 July 2023. No responses were received. The item was approved and both members were appointed to

said committees for a period of three years.

- **Paper 2023.24** was issued on 14 August 2023 and invited members to approve the appointment of Sheriff Principal Wade to the Access to Justice Committee. Responses were due by close of business on 28 August 2023. One response was received. Sheriff Principal Wade was therefore appointed to the Committee for a period of three years.
- **Paper 2023.25** was issued on 03 November 2023 and invited members to approve the reappointments of Fiona Drysdale to the Family Law Committee and Sheriff Fife to the Personal Injury Committee. Responses were due by close of business 17 November 2023. Two responses were received. Both members were therefore reappointed to the Committees for a further three years.

Recommendation

- 3. Members are invited to note the contents of this update.**

**Secretariat to the Scottish Civil Justice Council
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