

NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL

REPORT

To: YOUTH AND EQUALITIES COMMITTEE	Subject: INVOLVEMENT OF YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE WORK OF THE YOUTH AND EQUALITIES COMMITTEE
From: HEAD OF EDUCATION (SKILLS, LIFELONG LEARNING & YOUTH EMPLOYMENT)	
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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this report is to seek approval from committee on a proposal to involve members of North Lanarkshire Youth Council in the work of the Youth and Equalities Committee.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 At its meeting of the 25th August 2017, committee agreed that a joint meeting with North Lanarkshire Youth Council and the Youth and Equalities Committee be convened to consider the role of young people in respect of the committee. In making this decision, the committee reflected on the issues which emerged at the workshop session held on 9 April 2017 whereby members and officers considered the need to ensure effective engagement between young people and the Youth and Equalities Committee.

3.0 CONSIDERATIONS**3.1 North Lanarkshire Youth Council**

A representative group of young people from North Lanarkshire Youth Council were invited to attend the Youth and Equalities Committee meeting. The purpose of the attendance of the young people from the North Lanarkshire Youth Council is to provide members with an overview of their current involvement in the youth engagement and participation infrastructure in North Lanarkshire and for them to enter into a dialogue with members regarding the future involvement of young people in work of the committee.

4.0 CORPORATE CONSIDERATIONS**4.1 Financial Implications**

The youth engagement structure is already supported via the community learning and development budgets.

4.2 Legal Implications

Consideration of the approach to engaging and involving young people should be made under the terms of the Children and Young People (Scotland) Act (2014).

5.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5.1 The Youth and Equalities Committee is invited to note the rationale underpinning the arrangements for representatives from North Lanarkshire Youth Council to attend Committee on 26th October 2016.



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