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RECOGNITION OF LEADER AND GROUP LEADERS 2023-24

Purpose

1. To recognise the WLGA Leader and to note the Group Leaders for 2023-24.

Background

2. In accordance with the [WLGA Constitution](#) the Council shall identify a Leader.

3. Section 10 of the Constitution covers Office Holders and section 10.2 specifies:

The leader of the largest political group shall be known as the Leader of the Association and shall have responsibility for promoting the policies of the Association....

4. The largest political group in the WLGA is the Labour Group.

5. Section 8 of the Constitution references Political Groupings within the Association and 8.2 states that:

“The Council shall afford accreditation to any political group which comprises two or more members, which must be from two or more Member Councils. Any individual member of the Council may not belong to more than one political group and not more than one group shall be afforded accreditation for any single party.”

6. Section 8.1 notes that:

“Any group of members of the Council may elect to form themselves into a political group; political groups may combine to form a coalition.”

7. In advance of the AGM, three political groups have been confirmed within the Association: Labour, Independent and Plaid Cymru.

8. The Constitution (section 10.3) notes that Group Leaders will be recognised at the Annual General Meeting.

Recommendation

9. **The WLGA Council is invited to:**

9.1 Acknowledge the Leader of the WLGA Council for 2023-24; and

9.2 Acknowledge the Leaders of the Independent and Plaid Cymru Groups.

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