South Ayrshire Council

Report by Director of Strategic Change and Communities to Cabinet of 28 November 2023

Subject: Community Councils – Amendments to Scheme for Establishment

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek approval for officers to make amendments to the Scheme for Establishment for Community Councils following the recent consultation of the boundaries between Maybole and Crosshill, Straiton and Kirkmichael Community Councils.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 It is recommended that Cabinet:
 - 2.1.1 approves the new proposed boundaries following the results of the consultation; and
 - 2.1.2 requests that officers update the Scheme for Establishment to reflect these boundary changes.

3. Background

- 3.1 On 23 June 2023 Cabinet approved for Officers to carry out a consultation on the current and new proposed boundaries (Appendix 1) between Maybole and Crosshill, Straiton and Kirkmichael Community Councils.
- 3.2 The consultation sought the views of:
 - Local residents within these community council areas;
 - Community Councils;
 - Community groups and organisations within these areas;
 - Residents and plot holders from Tunnoch Farm Estate, Milestone Developments; and
 - Any person who may be directly or indirectly impacted by these proposed changes.
- 3.3 The consultation opened online on 17 July 2023 and closed on 1 September 2023.
- 3.4 Both Community Councils were contacted directly to share any views on this matter.

3.5 There were two responses from the consultation, one from a member of the public and one from a housing developer:

Comment member of the public: 'I approve of the proposed changes to the community council boundaries between Crosshill, Straiton and Kirkmichael Community Council and Maybole Community Council, as it will bring in the new housing development at Tunnoch Farm within the Maybole area which makes sense.'

Comment housing developer: 'I would suggest at the top of our site where there is a small triangular area that this is included as we intend to apply for planning for this too in the near future.'

4. Proposals

- 4.1 The Cabinet is asked to:
 - 4.1.1 consider the options for the new proposed boundaries for Maybole and Crosshill, Straiton and Kirkmichael Community Councils following the results of the consultation;
 - 4.1.2 approve one of the three Options:
 - Option1 Amend the boundaries as seen in <u>Appendix 2</u> that were included in the consultation;
 - Option 2 Amend the boundaries as seen in <u>Appendix 3</u> following the comment from the housing developer;
 - Option 3 Boundaries remain as seen in <u>Appendix 1</u> with no change; and
 - 4.1.3 approve updates to be made to the Scheme for Establishment to reflect the boundary changes for Maybole and Crosshill, Straiton and Kirkmichael Community Councils.

5. Legal and Procurement Implications

- 5.1 There are no legal implications to approving this report.
- 5.1 There are no procurement implications to approving this report.
- 6. Financial Implications
- 6.1 Not applicable.
- 7. Human Resources Implications
- 7.1 Not applicable.

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8. Risk

8.1 Risk Implications of Adopting the Recommendations

8.1.1 There are no risks associated with adopting the recommendations.

8.2 Risk Implications of Rejecting the Recommendations

8.2.1 There are no risk implications from rejecting the recommendations within this report.

9. Equalities

9.1 The proposals within this report have been assessed through the EQIA scoping process and there are no significant potential positive or negative equality impacts in agreeing the proposals, therefore an EQIA is not required

10. Sustainable Development Implications

10.1 Considering Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) - This report does not propose or seek approval for a plan, policy, programme or strategy or document otherwise described which could be considered to constitute a plan, programme, policy or strategy.

11. Options Appraisal

11.1 Proposed boundary changes to Community Councils wards provides options for the boundaries to be amended or remain the same.

12. Link to Council Plan

12.1 The above recommendations relate Priority 3 Civic and Community Pride.

13. Results of Consultation

- 13.1 Officers are seeking approval to consult within this paper.
- 13.2 Consultation has taken place with Councillor Martin Dowey, Portfolio Holder for Corporate and Strategic, and the contents of this report reflect any feedback provided.

14. Next Steps for Decision Tracking Purposes

14.1 If the recommendations above are approved by Members, the Director of Strategic Change and Communities will ensure that all necessary steps are taken to ensure full implementation of the decision within the following timescales, with the completion status reported to the Cabinet in the 'Council and Cabinet Decision Log' at each of its meetings until such time as the decision is fully implemented:

Implementation	Due date	Managed by
Scheme for Establishment updated	31 December 2023	Service Lead - Thriving Communities

Background Papers Report to Cabinet of 20 June 2023 - Community Councils -

Amendments to Scheme for Establishment

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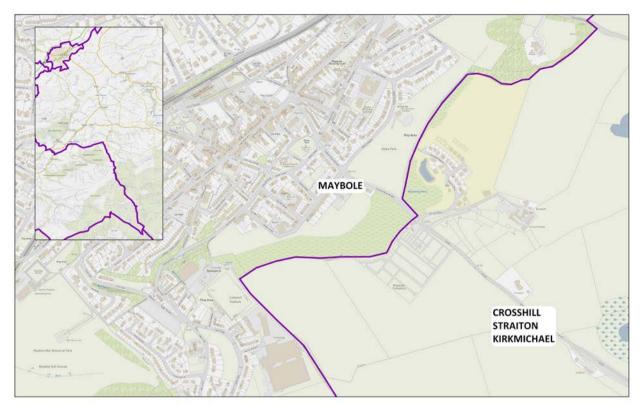
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Appendix 1

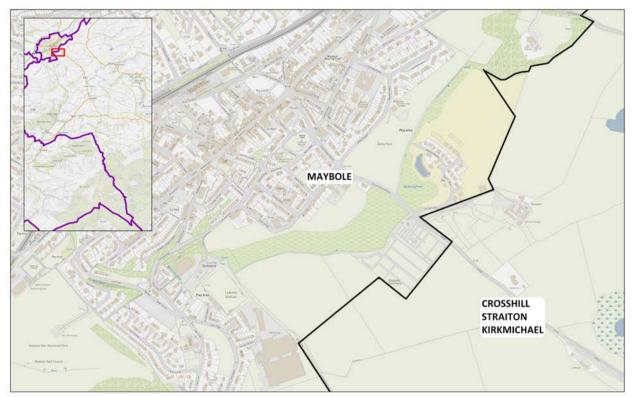




Maybole and Crosshill, Straiton & Kirkmichael Community Councils

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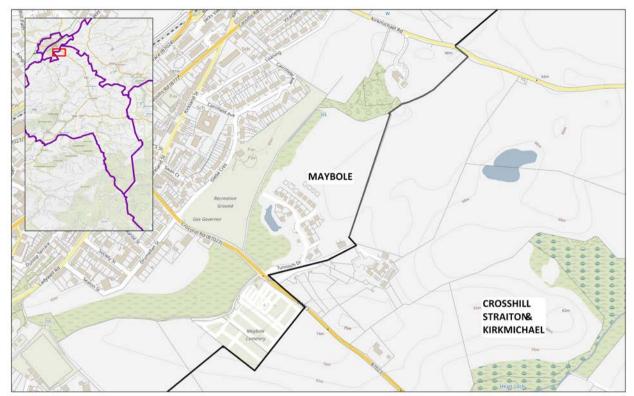




Maybole and Crosshill, Straiton & Kirkmichael Community Councils Scale 1:4,000

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Appendix 3





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