

Item 11 - Question Time

To the Leader of the Council

“As we now approach 3 years of the Independent/Lib Dem/Labour Administration of this Council, SNP Members still have no representation on external bodies where Members are appointed in this Chamber. Surely you acknowledge that the SNP group are the second largest group and the largest political group in this Council and as such should have representation on external bodies or boards in a way that reflects the membership of Highland Council. By disallowing SNP membership, the position undermines local democracy.

Will you consider this anomaly and bring forward a review of the Council’s representation on external bodies and boards to better reflect the democratic wishes of the Highland people?”

Response to Mr Gowans

The Administration has no plans at this time to undertake such a review.