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Foighnich airson/Please ask for: **Councillor Raymond Bremner**

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Ur n-Àireamh-iùil/Your ref:

Ar n-Àireamh-iùil/Our ref: RB/GM

Ceann-latha/Date: 18 October 2024

Dear Chief Constable

Council Motion

At a recent meeting of the Council, Councillors were advised that at the Communities and Place Committee meeting held on 5th September 2024, Police Scotland's Divisional Commander informed Councillors that the public telephones outside police stations are to be withdrawn as the technology is obsolete and Police Scotland believe the expense of replacing them is prohibitive, given their current budgets.

Councillors noted that not everyone has a mobile phone, and this decision did not seem to take account of the specific needs and risks of remoter communities.

Accordingly, it was agreed that I write to you "*to urge Scottish Government and Police Scotland to review this decision and fund it adequately, to ensure public access to the police is not compromised and that lost/found property items can be efficiently handed in to Police Stations as has been the case up to now*".

I would be grateful if you would consider the terms of this motion.

I have written in similar terms to the Cabinet Secretary for Justice and Home Affairs.

Councillor Raymond Bremner
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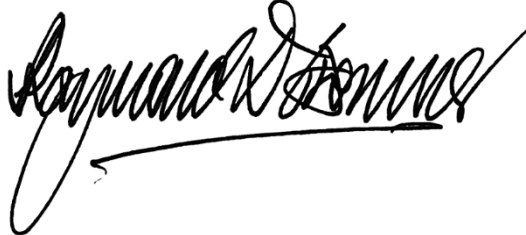
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I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely / Leis gach deagh dhùrachd,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Raymond Bremner', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Councillor Raymond Bremner
Leader of The Highland Council

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