

4 THE ROYAL SCOTTISH NATIONAL ORCHESTRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS (AN108-2002)

It is reported that the Royal Scottish National Orchestra (RSNO) has recently undertaken a review of the governance structure of the Orchestra. At present the RSNO Board of Directors comprises five player directors from the orchestra, five lay directors from the world of business, five local authority councillors and the Chief Executive. They have identified a need to increase the number of lay directors from the business world in order to improve the corporate and individual fundraising activities of the Orchestra. The RSNO has requested that Dundee City Council (along with the other Scottish cities) consider relinquishing its constitutional right to a councillor sitting on the RSNO Board. The intention is to subsequently expand the RSNO Board's members with lay directors whose remit and background will include fundraising and marketing. It is recommended that the City Council agrees to this request.

The City Council is currently represented by Councillor Regan. The RSNO has invited Councillor Regan to continue as a member of the Board in a personal capacity.

The RSNO has also indicated that they wish to maintain their links with the Council and that the Council has the right to nominate two members of the RSNO Society who are able to attend Annual General Meetings of the RSNO and vote on constitutional matters. The Council's' views on representation are sought.