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Report of the City Solicitor

Report to Member Management Committee

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Subject: Local Authority Appointments to Outside Bodies

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number:		
Appendix number:		

Summary of main issues

- 1. This report provides an update on the current position regarding Member appointments to outside bodies and seeks to confirm Member nominations to remaining vacancies.
- 2. There are currently a number of issues relating to outside body appointments (outlined in section 3 of the report), which the Committee is asked to consider.
- 3. A list of appointments made since the last meeting of Member Management Committee is also provided for information.

Recommendations

- 4. Members are asked to:
 - Consider the current position in relation to elected Member appointments to outside bodies detailed in Appendix 1;
 - Note the change of appointments since the last meeting of the Committee as detailed under paragraph 3.2 of this report.

1.0 Purpose of this report

- 1.1 Further to the meeting of this Committee in November 2013, and confirmation of nominations received to date, this report:
 - provides an update on the current position regarding Member appointments to outside bodies: and
 - seeks to confirm Member nominations to remaining vacancies.

2.0 Background information

- 2.1 This is the third meeting of the Member Management Committee since the Annual Meeting of Council to make Elected Member appointments to Outside Bodies. The attached schedule at Appendix 1 details the current position.
- 2.2 Vacancies exist on a number of outside bodies. Member Management Committee is asked to consider the vacancies detailed in Appendix 1 and make appointments to them.

3.0 Main issues

3.1 The Charities of Thomas Wade and Others

The Council currently appoint 3 Members to the Charities of Thomas Wade and Others and Member Management Committee have previously allocated these as follows; 1 to the Conservative Group ,1 to the Liberal Democrat Group and 1 to the Green Group.

At the last meeting of Member Management Committee in November 2013 it was resolved that:

'the Charities of Thomas Wade and Others be contacted to ascertain whether an additional or alternate Elected Member appointment could be made and that the outcome of these discussions be reported back to the next meeting of Member Management Committee.'

The Charity has confirmed that the Council are only able to appoint 3 Members to this group and not any additional Members.

3.2 Appointments Made Since November 2013

Members are advised that since the last meeting of the Committee the following appointments have been confirmed by the Director of Resources in accordance with the Appointments to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules (4.6):

Outside Body	Member Appointed	Member Replaced	Date
Aire Valley Partnership Board	Cllr L Yeadon	Cllr A Ogilvie	01/11/13

Leeds Partnership NHS Foundation Trust	Cllr Hanley	Cllr Macniven	01/11/13
The Charities of Thomas Wade and Others	Cllr A Castle	Cllr A Carter	26/11/13
SACRE	Cllr A Sobel	Cllr B Selby	20/11/13

Corporate Considerations

3.3 Consultation and Engagement

3.3.1 Group Whips are consulted in relation to any appointments made outside of Member Management Committee.

3.4 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

3.4.1 There are no equality and diversity or cohesion and integration implications as a result of this report.

3.5 Council Policies and City Priorities

- 3.5.1 Under the Appointments to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules, Member Management Committee is asked to review the list of notified Outside Bodies on an annual basis and determine whether the Council should make/continue to make an appointment to those bodies.
- 3.5.2 Determination is based on one or more of the following criteria being met:
 - the proposed appointment is a statutory requirement;
 - the proposed appointment would be consistent with the Council's policy or strategic objectives; and/or
 - the proposed appointment would add value to the Council's activities.

3.6 Resources and Value for Money

3.6.1 There are no resource or value for money implications as a result of this report.

3.7 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

- 3.7.1 Full Council has delegated responsibility to Member Management Committee for:
 - determining which outside bodies should have Member representation and, by determining the category of each such outside body, determining how such appointments should be made; and
 - making appointments to outside bodies categorised as Strategic and Key Partnership.
- 3.7.2 This report relates to a Council function and therefore, is not available for call-in.

3.8 Risk Management

3.8.1 There are no risk implications as a result of this report.

Conclusions

3.9 The current position in relation to elected Member appointments to outside bodies is detailed in Appendix 1, and vacancies exist on a number of bodies. The appointments made since the last meeting of Member Management Committee are detailed in paragraph 3.1 of the report.

Recommendations

- 3.10 Members are asked to:
 - Consider the current position in relation to elected Member appointments to outside bodies detailed in Appendix 1;
 - Note the position in respect of The Charities of Thomas Wade and Others
 - Note the change of appointments since the last meeting of the Committee, as detailed in paragraph 3.2 of this report.

Background documents¹

None

¹ The background documents listed in this section are available to download from the Council's website, unless they contain confidential or exempt information. The list of background documents does not include published works.