

Report of the City Solicitor

Report to Member Management Committee

Date: 24 February 2015

Subject: Local Authority Appointments to Outside Bodies

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

Summary of main issues

1. At the last meeting of this Committee in November Members requested a further report in respect of appointments to Outside Bodies. 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/note.
3. A list of appointments made since the last meeting of Member Management Committee is also provided for information at 3.3.

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 3.3 of this report.

1.0 Purpose of this report

- 1.1 Further to the meeting of this Committee in November 2014, 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 Review of the Appointments

In preparing this report, each Director has been asked to look at those organisations that the Council appoint to relevant to their Directorate and;

- consider whether an appointment to an organisation is still appropriate
- Identify a lead officer for all relevant appointments in the Strategic and Key Partnerships category.
- Inform the nominated Lead officer of the requirement to work closely with the appointed Member(s) to provide briefings and support.

Appendix 1 to this report sets out the latest position following the feedback from the respective directorates.

3.2 Local Government Yorkshire and Humber

Members will be aware that this Committee has for a number of years has appointed a Member (the Leader of Council) to the Local Government Yorkshire and Humber Committee. Members are asked to note that the body has passed a resolution to dissolve as from 1 April 2015 and therefore no further appointments will be required. The member affected has also been notified.

3.3 Appointments Made Since November 2014

Members are advised that since the last meeting of the Committee there have been no appointments confirmed by the City Solicitor in accordance with the Appointments to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules (4.6):

Outside Body	Member Appointed	Member Replaced	Date
NONE	NONE	NONE	N/A

Corporate Considerations

3.4 **Consultation and Engagement**

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

3.5 **Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration**

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

3.6 **Council Policies and City Priorities**

- 3.6.1 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.

- 3.6.2 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.

3.7 **Resources and Value for Money**

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

3.8 **Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In**

- 3.8.1 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.

3.8.2 This report relates to a Council function and therefore, is not available for call-in.

3.9 **Risk Management**

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

Conclusions

3.10 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 3.3 of the report.

Recommendations

3.11 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 in paragraph 3.3 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.