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Report of Senior Governance Officer

Report to the Head of Governance Services

Date: 12th May 2015

Subject: Appointments to Committees, Boards and Panels during the period between the Local Elections and the Annual Council Meeting

Are specific electoral Wards affected?	☐ Yes	⊠ No
If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):		
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. To approve appointments to vacancies on Committees, Boards and Panels during the period between the Local Elections and the Annual Council Meeting, in consultation with the relevant Group Whips, in order to secure that meetings necessary to be held during that period can proceed with adequate and appropriate membership levels.

Recommendations

2. That the Head of Governance Services approve the appointments referred to in paragraph 3.2 of this report.

1 Purpose of this report

1.1 To approve appointments to vacancies on Committees, Boards and Panels during the period between the Local Elections and the Annual Council Meeting, in consultation with the relevant Group Whips, in order to secure that meetings necessary to be held during that period can proceed with adequate and appropriate membership levels.

2 Background information

- 2.1 The City Solicitor's Officer Delegation Scheme authorises her to appointment to vacancies on Committees, Boards and Panels during the period between the Local Elections and the Annual Council Meeting, in consultation with the relevant Group Whips, in order to secure that meetings necessary to be held during that period can proceed with adequate and appropriate membership levels.
- 2.2 The City Solicitor has sub-delegated this responsibility to the Head of Governance Services.

3 Main issues

- 3.1 Following the Local Elections held on 7th May 2015 several vacancies have arisen on a number of Committees, Boards and Panels which are scheduled to meet during the period between those Elections and the Annual Council Meeting on 21st May 2015.
- 3.2 In order to ensure that those meetings can proceed with adequate and appropriate membership levels and following consultation with the relevant Group Whips, it is proposed that the following Councillors be appointed as follows:-
 - Councillor C Anderson to be appointed to the current vacancy upon Outer North West Community Committee; and
 - Councillor Amanda Carter to be appointed to the current vacancy upon Outer West Community Committee;
 - Councillor J Heselwood to be appointed to the current vacancy upon Inner West Community Committee;
 - Councillor H Hayden to be appointed to the current vacancy upon Outer East Community Committee;
 - Councillor C Dobson to be appointed to the current vacancy upon Inner East Community Committee;
 - Councillor Rafique to be appointed to the current vacancy upon Development Plan Panel

4 Corporate Considerations

4.1 Consultation and Engagement

4.1.1 The nominations for the appointments have been identified in consultation with the appropriate Group Whips.

4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

4.2.1 There are no specific implications regarding equality, diversity, cohesion and integration arising from this report.

4.3 Council policies and City Priorities

4.3.1 Fully operational and quorate Committee, Board and Panel meetings are in line with the Council's Policies and City Priorities.

4.4 Resources and value for money

4.4.1 There are no specific implications regarding resources and value for money arising from this report.

4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

- 4.5.1 The delegated decision relating to this report is not subject to Call In, as it falls within the City Solicitor's Council (non-executive) delegated authority. It is therefore a 'Council Function'.
- 4.5.2 The City Solicitor has sub-delegated this responsibility to the Head of Governance Services.

4.6 Risk Management

4.6.1 Making these appointments to the Committees, Boards and Panels will ensure that those meetings scheduled between the Local Elections and the Annual Council Meeting can proceed with adequate and appropriate membership levels.

5 Conclusions

5.1 It is recommended that the appointments referred to in section 3 of the report be made in order to ensure that those meetings can proceed with adequate and appropriate membership levels.

6 Recommendations

That the Head of Governance Services approve the appointments referred to in paragraph 3.2 of this report.

7 Background documents¹

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.

7.1 None.