

**Report of Senior Governance Officer**

**Report to the Head of Governance Services**

**Date: 10<sup>th</sup> May 2016**

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

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. 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, which will last for the period leading up to the Annual Council meeting.

## **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 appoint 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 5th May 2016 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 19th May 2016.
- 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 for the duration of the period leading up to the Annual Council meeting:-

- **Councillor S McKenna to be appointed to the current vacancy upon City Plans Panel;**
- **Councillors A Ogilvie, B Selby and G Latty to be appointed to the current vacancies upon Scrutiny Board (City Development);**
- **Councillor B Anderson to be appointed to the current vacancy upon South & West Plans Panel;**
- **Councillor A Garthwaite to be appointed to the current vacancy upon Inner North West Community Committee;**
- **Councillor E J Tunnicliffe to be appointed to the current vacancy upon Inner North East Community Committee;**
- **Councillor R Stephenson to be appointed to the current vacancy upon Outer North East Community Committee;**
- **Councillors D Ragan and S Arif to be appointed to the current vacancies upon Inner East Community Committee;**

- **Councillors J Walker and S J Field to be appointed to the current vacancies upon Outer East Community Committee.**

## **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**

6.1 That the Head of Governance Services approve the appointments referred to in paragraph 3.2 of this report, which will last for the period leading up to the Annual Council meeting.

**7 Background documents<sup>1</sup>**

7.1 None.

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<sup>1</sup> 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.