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## Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance)

### Council

Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2009

Subject: Appointments

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#### Electoral Wards Affected:

Ward Members consulted  
(referred to in report)

#### Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

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### 1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To agree changes to appointments to outside bodies as a consequence of recent changes to the political composition of the Council .

### 2.0 Background Information

- 2.1 Appointments to certain outside bodies are reserved to Council and are agreed at the Annual meeting in accordance with proportionality rules of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.
- 2.2 In recent weeks the Liberal Democrat Group and Conservative Group have each increased their membership by one. A consequence of these changes is that the proportionality calculation under the terms of Section 15 of the Act has changed in relation to the appointments made to the West Yorkshire Passenger Transport Authority and the West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority.
- 2.3 The current calculation shows a decrease in the entitlement of the Labour Group by one place on each authority and the introduction of an entitlement to one place on each authority for the Morley Borough Independent Group.

### 3.0 Recommendations

- 3.1 That the West Yorkshire Passenger Transport and Fire and Rescue Authorities be each given notice of the termination of the appointment of one Labour representative on each authority and be notified of the appointment of one Morley Borough Independent member on each.

- 3.2 That the notifications be in accordance with nominations from the relevant Whips which will be sought in advance of the submission of this report to Council.

Background Documents

Local Government and Housing Act 1989  
Annual Meeting of Council papers 2008