

**Report of West North West Area Leader**

**Report to Outer West Area Committee**

**Date: 16<sup>th</sup> December 2011**

**Subject: Appointment of Co-optees to the Outer West**

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): Calverley & Farsley, Farnley & Wortley, Pudsey	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input 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. This report seeks to gain approval from the Outer Area Committee for the appointment of a new Co-optee to the Committee.

**Recommendations**

2. The Area Committee is asked to:
  - Consider the appointment of a new Co-optee, the Rev. Paul Ayres, who represents Churches Together in the Pudsey Ward.

## **Purpose of this report**

- 1.1 This report seeks to gain approval from the Outer West Area Committee for the approval of a new Co-optee, the Rev. Paul Ayres from the Pudsey Ward.

## **2 Background information**

- 2.1 Under Article 10 of the Constitution, there is provision for Area Committees to appoint up to 5 non-voting co-opted members to support the work of the Committee. Co-opted members can participate in debates but have no voting rights.

## **3 Main issues**

- 3.1 The Outer West Area Committee has since its inception, supported local people to represent the area and to contribute expertise and experience to the Committee's deliberations, for example through their involvement in business, the voluntary sector, with young people and faith organisations.
- 3.2 The Outer West Area Committee has been served for several years by three Co-optees; Liz Navin-Jones (representing the business sector), Rev. Kingsley Dowling (representing the faith sector) and Howard Bradley (representing youth issues).

## **4 Corporate Considerations**

### **4.1 Consultation and Engagement**

- 4.2 Due to the wider commitments of Co-optees, it is not always possible for them to attend every Area Committee meeting. With this in mind, and in order to increase community engagement in the Area Committee's business, it is felt that the Area Committee would benefit from the appointment of a new Co-optee.

### **4.3 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration**

- 4.4 Co-optees assist Area Committees in their decision making process, by contributing to debates in Committee (specifically around narrowing the gap, community

### **4.5 Council Policies and City Priorities**

- 4.5.1 Under Article 10 of the Constitution, there is provision for Area Committees to appoint up to 5 non-voting co-opted members to support the work of the Committee.

### **4.6 Resources and Value for Money**

- 4.6.1 There are no relevant resource implications. Co-optees give their time for free to the Area Committee, and therefore, provide excellent value for money.

### **4.7 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In**

- 4.7.1 This report is the report of the Area Leader for West North West Leeds who has delegated responsibility to action decisions in accordance with Area Management's work programme in accordance with part 3 of the Council's Constitution in relation to Area Committee Functions.

4.7.2 This report is not confidential, neither is it, or part of it exempt.

#### **4.8 Risk Management**

4.8.1 Not applicable.

#### **5 Conclusions**

5.1 The Outer West Area Committee is requested to approve the appointment of the aforementioned Co-optee to support the work of the Area Committee.

#### **6 Recommendations**

6.1 The Area Committee is asked to:

- Approve the appointment of the Rev. Paul Ayres as Co-optee to the Outer West Area Committee.

#### **7 Background documents**

7.1 Outer West Area Committee papers July 2011.