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# **Report of the Chief Officer (Democratic and Central Services)**

# **Report to East Inner Area Committee**

Date: 21<sup>st</sup> June 2012

**Subject: Appointment of Co-optees to Area Committees** 

Are specific electoral Wards affected?  If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): Burmantofts & Richmond Hill  Gipton & Harehills, Killingbeck & Seacroft	⊠ Yes	□ No
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?  If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number:  Appendix number:	☐ Yes	⊠ No

### **Summary of main issues**

1. This report outlines proposals regarding the appointment of co-optees onto the Area Committee.

#### Recommendations

2. The Area Committee is requested to note the arrangements for the appointment of cooptees in order to support the work of the Committee.

#### 1 Purpose of this report

1.1 This report advises the Area Committee of the arrangements for the appointment of co-optees in order to support the work of the Committee.

#### 2 Background information

- 2.1 The Area Committee Procedure Rules state that each Area Committee may select up to five co-opted members to assist in the discharge of the Committee's role, in accordance with Article 10 of the Constitution.
- 2.2 Co-opted members may participate in the debate in the same way as Elected Members, but have no voting rights.
- 2.3 No co-opted member shall be appointed for a period beyond the next Annual Meeting of the Council.

#### 3 Main issues

- 3.1 The East Inner Area Committee will receive nominations for co-option from the following Community Leadership Teams, once established, for the 2012/13 Municipal Year:
  - Burmantofts & Richmond Hill Community Leadership Team
  - Burmantofts & Richmond Hill Neighbourhood Improvement Board
  - Killingbeck & Seacroft Community Leadership Team
  - Gipton Community Leadership Team
  - Harehills Community Leadership Team
- 3.2 The following community representatives were co-opted onto the Area Committee for 2011/12
  - Lizz Johnson Richmond Hill forum
  - Rod Manners Killingbeck & Seacroft Community Leadership Team
  - Phil Rone Burmantofts Forum
- 3.3 No formal nominations for 2012/13 had been received at the time of writing this report but will be reported at the meeting if submitted by the CLT's

#### 4 Corporate Considerations

## 4.1 Consultation and Engagement

- 4.1.1 This report advises the Area Committee of the opportunity to formally consider the possible appointment of co-optees to the Committee for the remainder of the municipal year.
- 4.1.2 The provision of co-opted representatives on Area Committees enables representatives of the local community to engage in the Committee's decision making process.

### 4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

4.2.1 In considering the appointment of co-optees, Members may wish to give consideration to ensuring that any co-options are representative of the community that the Area Committee covers.

#### 4.3 Council policies and City Priorities

4.3.1 Co-opted representation on Area Committees, which enables representatives of the local community to engage in the decision making process is in line with the Council's Policies and City Priorities.

## 4.4 Resources and value for money

4.4.1 There are no implications arising from this report in respect of resources or value for money.

### 4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

4.5.1 In line with the Council's Executive and Decision Making Procedure Rules, all decisions taken by Area Committees are not eligible for Call In.

### 4.6 Risk Management

4.6.1 There are no implications in respect of risk management arising from this report.

#### 5 Conclusions

5.1 Given the provisions within the Constitution regarding the appointment of co-opted representatives to Area Committees, the Area Committee is invited to note the arrangements for the appointment of co-optees for the 2012/13 Municipal Year.

#### 6 Recommendations

6.1 The Area Committee is requested to note the arrangements for the appointment of co-optees for the 2012/13 Municipal Year and request that future appointments to the co-optee vacancies be reported to the Area Committee as appropriate

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

7.1 Area Committee Procedure Rules

7.2 Article 10 of the Constitution (Area Committees)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The background documents listed in this section are available for inspection on request for a period of four years following the date of the relevant meeting. Accordingly this list does not include documents containing exempt or confidential information, or any published works. Requests to inspect any background documents should be submitted to the report author.