

WEST (INNER) AREA COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, 17TH MAY, 2012

PRESENT: Councillor J McKenna in the Chair
Councillors C Gruen, T Hanley, A Lowe
and N Taggart

104 Election of Chair / Chair's Opening Remarks

As the Chair of West (Inner) Area Committee for 2011/2012 had stepped down at the 2012 local elections, Councillor J McKenna was proposed, seconded and appointed Chair for the duration of this meeting.

The Chair welcomed all in attendance, particularly Councillor C Gruen, who was attending her first Area Committee meeting following the 2012 local elections.

105 Late Items

There were no late items.

106 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

107 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted by Councillor Harper and Co-opted Members; H Boutle, E Bowes, R Cross and S McBarron.

108 Election of Area Committee Chair for the 2012/13 Municipal Year

The Chief Officer (Democratic and Central Services) submitted a report which explained the arrangements for the annual election of Chairs for Area Committees and recommended that the Area Committee elected a Chair for the 2012/13 municipal year.

Appended to the report was a copy of Paragraph 5 of the Area Committee Procedure Rules which dealt with the process by which Chairs for Area Committees were elected.

It was reported that one nomination had been received for Area Committee Chair on behalf of Councillor J McKenna.

RESOLVED –

(a) That the contents of the report and appendices be noted.

(b) That Councillor J McKenna be elected Chair for the 2012/2013 municipal year.

109 Well-Being Fund Report

The Deputy Chief Executive submitted a report which presented a small grant application for consideration by the Area Committee. The report also recommended a new, lower limit for future small grant applications.

RESOLVED –

(a) That the following decision be made in relation to a small grant application that had been submitted:

- West Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Service – Firefly fire safety system – £500 approved.

(b) That in future, the maximum amount allocated per small grant application be limited to £300 per ward and £600 for applications covering two wards.

110 Date and Time of Next Meeting

Members noted that the next meeting was scheduled to take place on Wednesday, 27 June 2012 at 5.00pm. It was suggested that the June meeting took place at St Bartholomew's Primary School, the September meeting at a venue in Bramley, and the October meeting at the new Sikh temple extension. The Area Support team agreed to report back with confirmation of future meeting venues.

(The meeting concluded at 10.12am)