

Report of the City Solicitor

Report to Member Management Committee

Date: 25 February 2014

Subject: Local Authority Appointments to Outside Bodies

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. This report provides an update on the current position regarding Member appointments to outside bodies and seeks to confirm Member nominations to remaining vacancies.
2. There are currently a number of issues relating to outside body appointments (outlined in section 3 of the report), which the Committee is asked to consider.
3. A list of appointments made since the last meeting of Member Management Committee is also provided for information.

Recommendations

4. Members are asked to:
 - Consider the current position in relation to elected Member appointments to outside bodies detailed in Appendix 1;
 - Note the change of appointments since the last meeting of the Committee as detailed under paragraph 3.2 of this report.

1.0 Purpose of this report

1.1 Further to the meeting of this Committee in January 2014, and confirmation of nominations received to date, this report:

- provides an update on the current position regarding Member appointments to outside bodies; and
- seeks to confirm Member nominations to remaining vacancies.

2.0 Background information

2.1 This is the fourth meeting of the Member Management Committee since the Annual Meeting of Council to make Elected Member appointments to Outside Bodies. The attached schedule at Appendix 1 details the current position.

2.2 Vacancies exist on a number of outside bodies. Member Management Committee is asked to consider the vacancies detailed in Appendix 1 and make appointments to them.

3.0 Main issues

3.1 Leeds Older People Forum

Officers have been contacted by the Chair of the Leeds Older People Forum asking if it would be possible for consideration to be given to Councillor Ogilvie becoming a member of the Committee of Leeds Older People's Forum.

In accordance with the Appointment to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules the relevant Director has confirmed that the body meets one of more of the criteria listed within the Appointments to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules (detailed below):.

Outside Bodies Criteria:

- (1) The proposed appointment is a statutory requirement;
- (2) The proposed appointment would be consistent with the Council's Policy or strategic objectives; and/or
- (3) The proposed appointment would add value to the Council's activities.

Leeds Older People's Forum is a registered charity and was established in March 1994 and has a citywide membership of over 100 voluntary sector organisations working with older people across Leeds. The aims of the Forum are to promote the well-being of all older people in the city of Leeds, and to give a more powerful voice to older people in shaping their city for the benefit of all its citizens. It does this by:

- Representing older people's views, needs and aspirations
- Enabling older people's organisations to participate fully in policy discussion and development
- Enabling and sustaining good communication between individuals, groups and public, private and voluntary sector organisations.
- Supporting projects to enhance the wellbeing of older people in Leeds

The Forum is managed by a voluntary Management Committee, and at present there are no Councillors on the Committee. They feel it would be beneficial for them

to have a senior Councillor on board and have asked for Councillor Ogilvie as the lead member for Adult Social Care.

3.2 Appointments Made Since January 2014

Members are advised that since the last meeting of the Committee the following appointments have been confirmed by the Director of Resources in accordance with the Appointments to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules (4.6):

Outside Body	Member Appointed	Member Replaced	Date
Third Sector Partnership	Cllr C Macniven	Cllr A Ogilvie	23/1/14
Member of Yorkshire Regional Flood and Coastal Committee (formerly Yorkshire Regional Flood Defence Committee)	Cllr A Khan	Cllr E Nash	23/1/14
Communities Board	Cllr Anderson	Whips nominee	23/1/14
Communities Board	Cllr Golton	Whips nominee	23/1/14

Corporate Considerations

3.3 **Consultation and Engagement**

3.3.1 Group Whips are consulted in relation to any appointments made outside of Member Management Committee.

3.4 **Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration**

3.4.1 There are no equality and diversity or cohesion and integration implications as a result of this report.

3.5 **Council Policies and City Priorities**

3.5.1 Under the Appointments to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules, Member Management Committee is asked to review the list of notified Outside Bodies on an annual basis and determine whether the Council should make/continue to make an appointment to those bodies.

3.5.2 Determination is based on one or more of the following criteria being met:

- the proposed appointment is a statutory requirement;
- the proposed appointment would be consistent with the Council's policy or strategic objectives; and/or
- the proposed appointment would add value to the Council's activities.

3.6 **Resources and Value for Money**

3.6.1 There are no resource or value for money implications as a result of this report.

3.7 **Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In**

3.7.1 Full Council has delegated responsibility to Member Management Committee for:

- determining which outside bodies should have Member representation and, by determining the category of each such outside body, determining how such appointments should be made; and
- making appointments to outside bodies categorised as Strategic and Key Partnership.

3.7.2 This report relates to a Council function and therefore, is not available for call-in.

3.8 **Risk Management**

3.8.1 There are no risk implications as a result of this report.

Conclusions

3.9 The current position in relation to elected Member appointments to outside bodies is detailed in Appendix 1, and vacancies exist on a number of bodies. The appointments made since the last meeting of Member Management Committee are detailed in paragraph 3.1 of the report.

Recommendations

3.10 Members are asked to:

- Consider the current position in relation to elected Member appointments to outside bodies detailed in Appendix 1;
- Consider the appointment of Councillor Ogilvie to the Leeds Older People Forum
- Note the change of appointments since the last meeting of the Committee, as detailed in paragraph 3.2 of this report.

Background documents¹

None

¹ 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.