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Report of the Chief Democratic Services Officer

Member Management Committee

Date: 19th February 2008

Subject: Local Authority Appointments to Outside Bodies

Electoral Wards Affected:	Specific Implications For:	
	Equality and Diversity	
	Community Cohesion	
Ward Members consulted (referred to in report)	Narrowing the Gap	

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 Further to the meeting of this Committee in October 2007, and confirmation of nominations received to date, this report:
 - provides an update on the current position regarding member appointments
 - seeks to confirm member nominations to remaining vacancies.

2.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 This is the third 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 Members are asked to specifically consider the following issues:
- 3.2 Roseville Enterprises Board of Management

Members are advised that there is currently one vacancy on the Roseville Enterprises Board of Management and this is not allocated to a group.

Current representation is 1 member for the Labour Group, Green Group, Conservative Group and the Liberal Democrat Group.

Councillor Finnigan has expressed an interest on serving on this body and Members are asked to consider allocating this vacancy to the Morley Borough Independent Group and appointing Cllr Finnigan.

3.3 Parent Partnership Advisory Board

Members are advised that Education Leeds are currently in the process of establishing an advisory board for the Parent Partnership Service which provides impartial advice and support to parents.

The Parent Partnership Service works with parents of all children with Special Educational Needs (SEN) to provide information, publicity, training advice and support, to foster networking and collaboration and to inform and influence local SEN policy and practice.

The advisory board would work in a consultative capacity and as a critical friend and would challenge the Parent Partnership on issues such as best value and staffing.

The suggested model for the advisory board consists of representation from statutory services, the voluntary sector, parents of children with Special Educational Needs and an elected member.

Members are asked to consider whether they would wish to appoint an elected member to this Board in the category of a Strategic and Key Partnership.

If Members are agreeable to an appointment being made to this Board then the appointment of a Member is requested.

3.4 Appointments Made Since October 2007

Members are advised that since the last meeting of the Committee the following change of appointments have been confirmed by the Assistant Chief Executive (Corporate Governance) in accordance with the Appointments to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules (4.6)

Outside Body	Member	Member Replaced	<u>Date</u>
	Appointed		
Leeds College of Building	Cllr K Hussain	Whips nominee	5/11/07
Grand Theatre Enterprises Ltd	Cllr Blake	vacancy	18/12/07
Grand Theatre Enterprises Ltd	Cllr Townsley	vacancy	18/12/07
Children Leeds Partnership	Cllr Golton	Cllr Brett	29/1/08
Ass of West Yorks Authorities	Cllr Brett	Cllr Harris	29/1/08
Leeds Initiative Board	Cllr Brett	Cllr Harris	29/1/08
SIGOMA	Cllr Brett	Cllr Harris	29/1/08
Yorks&Humber Employers Ctte	Cllr Brett	Cllr Harris	29/1/08
Local Govt Yorks & Humber	Cllr Brett	Cllr Harris	29/1/08
Yorkshire Tourist Board	Cllr Downes	Cllr Golton	29/1/08
Affordable Housing Strategic	Cllr Brett	Cllr Chapman	29/1/08
Partnership			
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4.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR COUNCIL POLICY AND GOVERNANCE

4.1 The member appointments referred to in 3.1 to 3.4 are in accordance with the Council's Constitution and as detailed in the Appointments to Outside Body Procedure Rules. Members will also be advised of the need to update their entry in the Members register of interests.

5.0 LEGAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no specific legal or resource implications in relation to these appointments.

6.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 6.1 Members are asked to consider the current position in relation to Elected Member appointments to outside bodies detailed in Appendix 1.
- 6.2 Members are asked to note the change of appointments since the last meeting of the Committee as detailed in 3. 4 of the report.