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Report of the Chief Democratic Services Officer

West (Inner) Area Committee

Date: 14th September 2006

Subject: Appointment of Co-optees

Electoral Wards Affected:	Specific Implications For: Ethnic minorities
Armley Bramley & Stanningley	Women
	Disabled people
	Narrowing the Gap x
Council Delegated Executive Function Function for Call In	X Delegated Executive Function not available for Call In Details set out in the report
Executive Summary	
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1.0 Purpose Of This Report

1.1 This report seeks to gain approval from the Area Committee to the annual appointment of co-optees to the West (Inner) Area Committee.

2.0 Background Information

- 2.1 The Area Committee Procedure Rules (Part 4 of the constitution "Rules of Procedure", 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;
 - Co-opted members may participate in the debate in the same way as Elected Members, but have no voting rights;

 No co-opted member shall be appointed for a period beyond the next Annual Meeting of the Council.

3.0 Main Issues

3.1 At a recent meeting of the Armley Forum Hazel Boutle and Morgan Pugh were once again re-selected for nomination as co-optees to the Area Committee. Jean Bedford was also re-selected from the Bramley Forum, together with a new candidate Peter Green.

4.0 Implications For Council Policy And Governance

4.1 This report is relevant to Council Governance (see section 5).

5.0 Legal And Resource Implications

- 5.1 There is a need for a decision to be made on the appointment of the co-optees in order to comply with "Rules of Procedure" as set out in the constitution.
- 5.2 There are no resource implications.

6.0 **Conclusions**

6.1 This report is relevant to Council Governance (Article 10 of the constitution).

7.0 Recommendations

7.1 The Area Committee is asked to give approval to the appointment of those nominations for co-optees to the West (Inner) Area Committee as outlined in 3.1 above.