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**Report of the Chief Democratic Services Officer**

**Member Management Committee**

**Date: 31st October 2006**

**Subject: Local Authority Appointments to Outside Bodies**

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**Electoral Wards Affected:**

**Specific Implications For:**

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

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**1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 Further to the meeting of this Committee in June 2006, 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 The Member Management Committee has met on one occasion 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 Leeds Grand Theatre Board

At the meeting of the Executive Board on the 20<sup>th</sup> September approval was given to establish a transitional Board of five Councillors and four independent Members using a skills matrix and nomination form. The current Board will be apprised of the proposals in the near future and prior to any involvement by this committee in the appointment process.

### 3.3 National Parking Adjudication Service Joint Committee

3.4 Member Management Committee are advised that the National Parking Adjudication Service (NPAS) is the independent appeals tribunal which considers appeals against Parking Penalty Charge Notices issued by Local Authorities who have implemented Decriminalised Parking Enforcement (DPE). The National Parking Adjudication Joint Committee is responsible for ensuring that NPAS business is conducted in accordance with the law and proper standards of economy, efficiency and effectiveness. It is a requirement that all DPE authorities provide a Councillor nomination to sit on the Committee which meets once or twice each year. Leeds City Council implemented DPE from March 2005.

3.5 It is recommended that this organisation be added to the list of appointments to outside bodies approved by Member Management Committee and that appointment should be reserved to the Executive Member who's portfolio includes Parking Services.

3.6 That Councillor Steve Smith be confirmed as the Council's representative on this organisation

### 3.7 Nuclear Free Zones English Forum

3.8 Members are advised that the schedule attached at appendix 1 shows a vacancy against this particular organisation and this has been the position since former Councillor Claire Nash left the Council.

Councillor Pryke has expressed an interest in serving on this body.

Members are asked to consider appointing Councillor Pryke to serve on this body.

### 3.9 Yorkshire Regional Flood Defence Committee

3.10 Members will be aware that Councillor Pryke currently presents the Council on the Yorkshire Regional Flood Defence Committee.

The City Council also have the right to appoint a deputy member in accordance with Schedule 5 of the Environment Act 1995, this member would in effect be a substitute for the main member.

Members are asked to consider appointing a deputy member to this body.

### 3.11 IGEN

3.12 Members will be aware that the Council currently appoints two directors to the IGEN Board (Councillors Bale and Bentley).

At the Executive Board meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> September 2006 it was agreed that the Council reduces its participation in IGEN with the right to appoint 1 Director to the Board.

Members are asked to note the Executive Board decision and nominate 1 director to serve on the IGEN Board.

### 3.13 Children Leeds Partnership

Member Management Committee are advised that the Children Leeds Partnership – a strategic Board that is being proposed as part of the Children’s Trust arrangements in Leeds. It is intended that the Partnership will provide city-wide leadership on children and young people’s issues, in particular, on the development and delivery of children’s services.

The Council’s entitlement on this Board is 3 elected members and the suggestion is that these 3 places should be reserved to 2 members of the administration and 1 place reserved to the relevant spokesperson from the Labour Group.

### 3.14 Appointments Made Since June

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

<u>Outside Body</u>	<u>Member Appointed</u>	<u>Member Replaced</u>	<u>Date</u>
Roseville Enterprises Ltd	Cllr Fox	Vacancy	7/7/06
School Organisation Ctte	Cllr Shelbrooke	Cllr Bale	7/7/06
Yorkshire Indoor Cricket School	Cllr Townsley	Cllr Downes	18/8/06
WYPTA Passenger Transport Constulative Committee	Cllr Fox	Cllr W Hyde	22/9/06
Regional Planning Forum and Infrastructure Committee	Cllr Anderson	Cllr A Carter	2/10/06

## **4.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR COUNCIL POLICY AND GOVERNANCE**

4.1 The member appointments referred to in 3.2 to 3.14 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 3.14 of the report.