



## Report of the Head of Strategic Landlord

### *Member Management Committee*

Date: 29 June 2010

Subject: ALMO Boards – Council member selection process

#### Electoral Wards Affected:

All in ALMO areas

Ward Members consulted  
(referred to in report)

#### Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

## Executive Summary

This report outlines the process agreed in 2006/ for appointment of Council Board Members to ALMO boards and provides an update on ALMO boards following the local elections in May 2010. The recommendation is to adopt the existing process to fill vacancies arising from the election results.

### 1.0 Purpose

1.1 The purpose is to;

- Update the committee on the process for appointment of Council Board Members to ALMO Boards,
- Outline the current position and associated issues following the May 2010 local elections,
- Recommend that the existing process is retained for the appointments to ALMO boards.

### 2.0 Background Information

2.1 The provisions for appointment of Council Board Members are set out in the ALMO Memorandum and Articles as follows;

#### **APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL BOARD MEMBERS BY THE COUNCIL MEMBER**

- 14 (1) Subject to Article 13 the Council Member shall from time to time appoint four persons (such persons being members of the Council Member and being members for wards in the..... area) as Council Board Members and shall have the power to remove from office any such Board Member. The Council shall review from time to time the appointment of

each Council Board member, and that review shall take place no later than 3 years after such appointment or last review (as the case may be).

2.2 A Member Management committee report in December 2006 set out the options for the process by which Council Board Members will be nominated to ALMO boards.

2.3 The preferred option approved by the committee is based on the political representation in the area. This option allows the political representation of the Council to be reflected on the ALMO boards in relation to the geographical area of the ALMO. It also allows for smaller political groups to be represented.

2.4 The alternative options were based on;

- Current political balance of the Council to be reflected on the ALMO boards
- Stock numbers in the area.

### 3.0 Main Issues

3.1 Based on the process, Council Board membership on ALMO boards **before** May 2010 was :

ALMO	PARTY	NAME
<b>Aire Valley Homes</b>	Labour	Cllor P Gruen
	Labour	Cllor G Driver
	Liberal Democrat	Cllor S Golton
	Morley Borough Independent	Cllor R Finnegan
<b>East North East Homes</b>	Conservative	Cllor G Wilkinson
	Conservative	Cllor P Wadsworth
	Labour	Cllor G Hyde
	Liberal Democrat	Cllor D Hollingsworth
<b>West North West Homes</b>	Conservative	Cllor C Fox
	Green	Cllor A Blackburn
	Labour	Cllor A Lowe
	Liberal Democrat	Cllor B Chastney

- 3.2 Following the local elections in May 2010 (Appendix) and subsequent appointments, the process is required to fill appointments as follows ;
- 3.3 East North East Homes Leeds (ENEHL) – There has been a change in political representation in the ALMO area. One Conservative ALMO board member and one Liberal Democrat board member were not re-elected and two new appointments are required. Under the existing agreed process, one Conservative and one Labour member should be nominated.
- 3.4 West North West Homes Leeds (WNWHL) - There are no changes in the Council Board membership of the ALMO Board.
- 3.5 Aire Valley Homes - There are no changes in the Council Board membership of the ALMO Board.

#### **4.0 Implications For Council Policy And Governance**

- 4.1 There are no specific implications for Council policy and governance although any vacancies arising can be filled in accordance with the Appointment to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules.

#### **5.0 Legal And Resource Implications**

- 5.1 There are no legal and resource implications

#### **6.0 Conclusions**

- 6.1 The local elections results have led to three Council member vacancies on the ALMO boards.
- 6.2 There is an agreed process in place for the appointment of Council Board Members to ALMO Boards based on political representation in the ALMO areas.

#### **7.0 Recommendations**

The committee is recommended to;

- 7.1 Re – affirm the process agreed in December 2006 for the appointment of Council Board Members to ALMO boards
- 7.2 Based on this process, make nominations to the ALMO boards as appropriate;
- West North West Homes Leeds/Aire Valley Homes Leeds - In accordance with the Appointments to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules.
  - East North East Homes Leeds – One Conservative member, one Labour member.

**Appendix** - Table of ALMO area political representation **after** May 2010 elections.