



Report of the Chief Democratic Services Officer

Member Management Committee

Date: 20th February 2007

Subject: Local Authority Appointments to Outside Bodies

Electoral Wards Affected:

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 Further to the meeting of this Committee in December 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 four occasions 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 Faith Forum

Former Councillor Michael Fox is the Council's current representative on this forum and he has recently informed the organisation and confirmed to officers that due to other commitments he would be happy to stand down from this organisation if the Council were able to find a replacement.

3.3 Councillor Sharon Hamilton has expressed an interest in serving on the Leeds Faith Forum

3.4 Members are asked to consider the appointment to the Leeds Faith Forum

3.5 Leeds Inter Agency Project(Women and Violence)

Leeds City Council currently has no Councillor serving on the Leeds Inter Agency Project.

Councillor Sharon Hamilton has expressed an interest in representing the Council on this particular body.

Members are requested to consider the appointment of Councillor S Hamilton to the Leeds Inter Agency Project

3.6 Ireland Wood Children's Centre Management Committee

Representatives of the Ireland Wood Children's Centre Management Committee have approached the City Council asking that Councillor Bentley be appointed to serve on their Management Committee.

The Appointments to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules state that where a request to make an appointment is received then determination of this will be 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.

Where an organisation is deemed to have met one or more of these criteria, Members are requested to allocate it to one of the following categories:

- Strategic and Key Partnerships – participation contributes to the Council's strategic objectives and community leadership role
- Community and Local Engagement – not necessary to fulfil strategic or key partnership role but, nonetheless, beneficial in terms of leading, engaging and supporting the community from an area or ward perspective.

The appointing body for Strategic and Key Partnerships is the Member Management Committee.

The appointing body for Community and Local Engagement is the appropriate Area Committee.

Members are asked to consider whether an appointment should be made to this body and whether the appointment would fall into the Strategic and Key Partnerships or Community and Local Engagement category.

3.7 David Young Academy

The administration Whips would like to discuss Leeds City Council representation on the David Young Academy Governing Body.

3.8 Trinity and all Saints College

The Councils current representative on this organisation Councillor Harker has drawn to officers attention the proposal for the incorporation of Trinity and All Saints College with a view to the new College been established on 1 August 2007. Currently the Council appoint a

governor to the Board of the College under its current constitution, the draft Instrument and Articles of Government for the proposed new College removes the right to a City Council nomination.

Councillor Harker has the Councils representative on this body supports this move and does not think that the relations between the Council and the College would be substantially changed if the City Council were no longer to have a governor on the College Board.

Members are asked to note the current proposals

3.9 Appointments Made Since October

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>
Yorkshire Power Stations Joint Committee	Cllr Anderson	Whips nominee	16/11/06
Fostering Panel – East Leeds	Cllr Phillips	Cllr Fox	23/11/06
Environment Agency – Ridings Area Environment Group	Cllr Anderson	Whips nominee	24/11/06
Fostering Panel– South Leeds	Cllr Cleasby	Whips nominee	6/12/06
Children Leeds Partnership	Cllrs Brett and Harker	Whips nominees	13/12/06
West/North West Homes ALMO	Cllr Hanley	Whips nominee	10/1/07
South/South East Homes ALMO	Cllrs Gruen and Driver	Whips nominee	10/1/07
East/North East Homes ALMO	Cllr G Hyde	Whips nominee	10/1/07
West/North West Homes ALMO	Cllr Lowe	Cllr Hanley	1/2/07
East/North East Homes ALMO	Cllr Wilkinson	Cllr R D Feldman	12/2/07

4.0 **IMPLICATIONS FOR COUNCIL POLICY AND GOVERNANCE**

4.1 The member appointments referred to in 3.1 to 3.9 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. 9 of the report.