

## **Inner East Area Committee**

### **Appointment of Co-optees**

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 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 beyond the next Annual Meeting of the Council. In other words, the appointments are annual, but people can be re-appointed by the organization they represent or by invitation of the Area Committee itself.

#### The criteria for co-optees is that they:

- Live or work in within the Community Leadership Team/forum area;
- Support the ethos of Area Management;
- Represent the interests of the individuals and organisations making up the Community Leadership Team/forum;
- Do not act to further their own interests to benefit themselves or their own organisation without regard for the best interests of the forum/Community Leadership Team;

# Organisations invited to nominate a co-opted representative to the Inner East Area committee

Gipton Community Leadership Team; Seacroft Community Leadership Team; Harehills Community Leadership Team; Burmantofts Forum Richmond Hill Forum

#### **Nomination Process**

Each organisation invites nominations from the local community. The written invitation is sent out in writing at least two weeks in advance of when voting will take place.

Interested persons must be nominated and seconded by someone from the local community. This information is recorded on the form and returned to Area Management by the deadline specified.

At the community meeting each nominee is invited to say a few words about their role in the community.

All those attending who are local residents have one vote. Proof of residency is determined by postcode. The vote takes place using a secret ballot. Votes are counted and verified, and the Council is informed of the nominations.

The nominated representatives are invited to the first Area Committee meeting of the new municipal year where their appointment as a co-optee will be confirmed by the Area Committee.

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