

Appointments to Outside Bodies

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Corporate Priority:	All
Relevant Ward Member(s):	N/A
Date of consultation with Ward Member(s):	N/A
Exempt Information:	No

1 Summary

- 1.1 To present the proposed nominations for representatives on outside bodies and working groups for the Municipal Year 2025/26.

2 Recommendations

That Council:	
2.1	Notes the appointments in Column A of Appendix A (designated according to the role/portfolio holder/ward member).
2.2	Appoints representatives to serve on the outside bodies listed at Appendix A (other than those in Column A).

3 Reason for Recommendations

- 3.1 To approve the Council's representatives on outside bodies for the forthcoming year.

4 Background

- 4.1 The Council appoints representatives to various outside bodies as attached at Appendix A.

- 4.2 The list of community bodies is reviewed regularly to ensure it remains current.

5 Main Considerations

- 5.1 Members are asked to appoint representatives to the remaining outside bodies for the forthcoming municipal year.
- 5.2 At the Annual Meeting in May 2022 Council approved how the appointments detailed in Column A of Appendix A would be allocated in accordance with the relevant role, ward member or portfolio holder. Council agreed that the holder of those roles specified would automatically be appointed to the outside body and Council would simply be asked to note those appointments in future years. In the absence of a contrary resolution by Council, those automatic appointments will continue.
- 5.3 Any appointments allocated to relevant portfolio holders in accordance with those arrangements will be confirmed once Portfolios have been announced by the Leader.
- 5.4 Members are reminded that any outside bodies which they are appointed to by Council must be recorded appropriately on their register of interests.
- 5.5 Nominations to the community bodies will be circulated in advance of the meeting where possible.

6 Options Considered

- 6.1 No alternative options have been considered since the Council is required to make such appointments, either due to a legal obligation to do so or since it has resolved to do so.

7 Consultation

- 7.1 There has been consultation with the Political Group Leaders and other Councillors involved.

8 Next Steps – Implementation and Communication

- 8.1 The Outside Organisations listed will be advised of the appointed Council representative.

9 Financial Implications

- 9.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

Financial Implications reviewed by: Director for Corporate Services

10 Legal and Governance Implications

- 10.1 The Constitution requires the Council to review its appointments to outside organisations at the annual meeting. As indicated above, the Council has legal obligations to make appointments to some of the listed bodies whilst it has resolved to do so in other cases. As also stated above, following the resolution in 2022 to appoint some portfolio holders to certain outside bodies, unless or until the Council makes a contrary resolution the holders of those portfolios will continue to be so appointed on allocation of the relevant portfolio.
- 10.2 Appointments are made by the Council in the interests of openness and transparency.

Legal Implications reviewed by: Monitoring Officer

11 Equality and Safeguarding Implications

- 11.1 An Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) has not been completed because there are no service, policy or organisational changes being proposed.

12 Data Protection Implications (Mandatory)

- 12.1 A Data Protection Impact Assessments (DPIA) has not been completed because there are no risks to the rights and freedoms of natural persons.

13 Community Safety Implications

- 13.1 There are no community safety implications arising from this report.

14 Environmental and Climate Change Implications

- 14.1 There are no environmental or climate change implications arising from this report.

15 Other Implications (where significant)

- 15.1 There are no other implications arising from this report.

16 Risk & Mitigation

Risk No	Risk Description	Likelihood	Impact	Risk
1	Reputational damage should the council choose not to put forward representatives on outside bodies.	Low	Critical	9

		Impact / Consequences			
		Negligible	Marginal	Critical	Catastrophic
Likelihood	Score/ definition	1	2	3	4
	6 Very High				
	5 High				
	4 Significant				
	3 Low			1	
	2 Very Low				
	1 Almost impossible				

Risk No	Mitigation
1	To appoint to outside bodies to ensure there are effective conduits between the Council and its partners.

17 Background Papers.

17.1 There are no background papers

18 Appendices

18.1 Appendix A – Nominated Representatives to Outside Bodies 2025/26