

Report to the Council

Committee: Appointments Panel

Date: 24 May 2011

Chairman: Councillor L Wagland

Item: 9

1. Report of the Appointments Panel

Recommending:

- (1) To note in accordance with regulation 8 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, the constitution of political groups as set out Appendix A to this report;**
 - (2) To consider appointments in respect of Leader of the Council, and consequential appointments for Cabinet and Cabinet Subcommittees carrying out Executive functions as reported to the Panel set out at Appendix B to this report;**
 - (3) To approve the Membership, Chairmanship and Vice Chairmanship of Committees, Subcommittees and Panel (non-Executive bodies) as set out at Appendix C to this report;**
 - (4) That appointment to the Essex Localism Initiative – Local Highways Panel be deferred pending completion of the Essex County Council Partnership Review and that the meeting scheduled for 16 June be cancelled;**
 - (5) That Group representatives confirm appointments to be made by Overview and Scrutiny Committee to the Proper Officer by 26 May 2011;**
 - (6) To note consequential appointments made by the Leader to Outside Organisations carrying out Executive functions as set out at Appendix D to this report; and**
 - (7) To consider the appointments to the following Outside bodies carrying out Council regulatory or non-Cabinet functions:**
 - (a) Epping Forest Citizens Advice Bureau (Appendix E – item 2)**
 - (b) Roding Valley Meadows Local Nature Reserve Management Committee (Appendix E – item 15(a))**
 - (c) Voluntary Action Epping Forest (Appendix E – item 19).**
 - (8) To approve appointments to other Outside Organisations carrying out Council regulatory or non-Cabinet functions as set out at Appendix E to this report.**
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1. (Chairman of the Panel - Councillor L Wagland) The Panel met on 17 May 2011 to consider nominations made by Groups and un-affiliated members to positions on:
 - (i) Chairman and Vice Chairman of Council;
 - (ii) Leader; Deputy Leader and Cabinet members;
 - (iii) Chairmen; Vice-Chairmen and membership of Cabinet Subcommittees;
 - (iv) Chairmen; Vice-Chairmen and members of Committees and Sub-Committees (excluding Scrutiny Panels); Panels; Boards Working Groups and similar bodies;
 - (v) Outside body appointments.
2. The Panel was advised on the position of the Leader of Council and noted proposals for the Cabinet and Cabinet Subcommittee memberships. There are also consequential proposals for the appointment to Outside Organisations that fall into the Executive category.
3. The Panel have been able to bring forward agreed nominations in respect of Committees, Subcommittees and Panels which are set out at Appendix C. We have been advised that the Local Highways Panels are subject to a review being undertaken by Essex County Council on Partnership arrangements. We are recommending that nominations are held in abeyance until the conclusion of the review and that the scheduled meeting in June be cancelled.
4. We have been unable to conclude nominations to Scrutiny Panels so we are recommending that Panel Group representatives provide this information in time for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting in May which will make the formal appointments.
5. There are three Non-Executive bodies (detailed in our recommendations) where either nominations exceed those required or further advice is required on representation. We are asking Council to confirm these appointments.
6. We recommend as set out at the commencement of this report.