

# ***Report to the Council***

**Committee:** Appointments Panel

**Date:** 21 May 2013

**Chairman:** Councillor C Whitbread

**Item:** 8

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## **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 Panels (non-Executive bodies) as set out at Appendix C to this report with any outstanding nominations reported at the meeting;**

**(4) To confirm Group Representatives for the purposes of substitution notifications as follows:**

**G Waller – Conservative Group;**

**(5) That Group representatives confirm appointments to be made to Overview and Scrutiny Panels to the Proper Officer by 24 May 2013;**

**(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;**

**(7) To approve appointments to other Outside Organisations carrying out Council, regulatory or non-Cabinet functions as set out at Appendix E to this report; and**

**(8) That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee be asked to undertake a review of the process for the nomination to and appointment of the Vice Chairman of Council.**

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1. (Chairman of the Panel - Councillor C Whitbread) The Panel met on 9 and 14 May 2013 to consider nominations made by Groups and non-affiliated members to positions on:

- (i) Chairman and Vice Chairman of Council (Item elsewhere on the Council agenda);
  - (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; and
  - (vi) Political Group constitutions (Appendix A).
2. The Panel was advised of proposals for the Cabinet and Cabinet Subcommittee memberships (Appendix B). We understand from the Leader that it is his intention to replace the Local Plan Cabinet Committee with a Portfolio Holder Advisory Group of seven members. There are also consequential proposals for the appointment to Outside Organisations that fall into the Executive category (Appendix D).
  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. Any remaining anomalies are listed in the schedule and will be reported at the meeting.
  4. We are recommending a change to the Committees for 2013/14. We have been asked to recommend the membership of the Directorate Restructuring Panel. Later in the agenda for this Council meeting, Councillors are being asked to consider the terms of reference for that new body.
  5. 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 June which will make the formal appointments.
  6. We have also been able to agree nominations to Outside Bodies as detailed in Appendix E. We are asking Council to confirm these appointments
  7. We discussed nominations for the position of Vice Chairman of Council. We have asked that Overview and Scrutiny Committee undertakes a review of the constitutional requirements in this regard.
  8. We recommend as set out at the commencement of this report.