

Appointments to Committees

Council

Date: 12th July 2018

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Wards: All

Parishes Affected: All

1. Purpose and Reasons

- 1.1 To approve changes to the Membership of Council's Committees.
- 1.2 To consider appointments to the Swindon Health and Wellbeing Board.
- 1.3 The delivery of effective, accountable, and transparent decision making by the Council directly links to its overall policy and objectives.

2. Recommendations

The Committee is recommended to:

- 2.1 Approve the changes to the membership of the Council's Committees as set out in paragraphs 3.2 and 3.3 of the report.
- 2.2 Approve any further changes to the membership of the Council's Committees as may be tabled by the relevant political party group leader(s) at the meeting.
- 2.3 Approve appointments to the Swindon Health and Wellbeing Board following changes to its Terms of Reference as set out in paragraph 3.5 of the report.

3. Detail

- 3.1 The Director of Law and Democratic Services has received a request from the Council's Conservative Group to amend its representation on the Scrutiny Committee, and the Swindon Housing Company Board.
- 3.2 At the meeting of Annual Council held on 18th May 2018, the following Councillors were appointed:

Scrutiny Committee: Councillor Claire Ellis, and

Swindon Housing Company: Councillors Oliver Donachie and Gary Sumner.

Planning Committee: Brian Mattock
- 3.3 The Conservative Group has requested that the following changes be approved for the Members to serve on these committees and board in place of those members referred to in paragraph 3.2:

Scrutiny Committee: Steve Weisinger,

Swindon Housing Company: Councillors Brian Mattock and Steve Weisinger.

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Planning Committee: Maureen Penny

- 3.4 The Council has considered, earlier on the agenda, changes to the Terms of Reference of the Swindon Health and Wellbeing Board. The current Membership of the Board is the Leader of the Council, the Cabinet Member for Adults, the Cabinet Member for Children and Schools Attainment and the Shadow Spokesperson for Adults.
- 3.5 On the basis that Minute 8 of the Health and Wellbeing Board (Revised Terms of Reference) is approved by this Council and the Swindon Clinical Commissioning Group, Council is requested to revise its membership to include the Leader of the Council, the Cabinet Member for Adults, the Cabinet Member for Children and Schools Attainment, the leaders of the Opposition and Minority Groups and the Shadow Spokesperson for Adults or Children and School Attainment.

4. Alternative Options

- 4.1 No alternative options are proposed.

5. Implications, Diversity Impact Assessment and Risk Management

Financial and Procurement Implications

- 5.1 There are no financial procurement implications to this report. Any Councillor Basic Allowance arising from attendance at these meetings will be met from existing budgets

Legal and Human Rights Implications

- 5.2 Legal and Human Rights considerations have been taken fully into account in compiling this report, which is required to be submitted to Special Committee, on behalf of Council, to ensure compliance with the Council's political balance provisions set out in the Local Government Act 1989.

All Other Implications (including Staff, Sustainability, Health, Rural, Crime and Disorder)

- 5.3 There are no additional implications.

Diversity Impact Assessment

- 5.4 A Diversity Impact Assessment is not required.

Risk Management

- 5.5 A Risk Management Assessment is not required.

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6. Consultees

- 6.1 The Director of Finance (Section 151 Officer) and Director of Law and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer) have been consulted in respect of this report.

7. Background Papers

- 7.1 None

8. Appendices

- 8.1 None