

# Appointment to Council Bodies

**Special Committee**

**Date: 18<sup>th</sup> March 2013**

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Wards:	All
Locality Affected:	All
Parishes Affected:	All

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## **1. Purpose and Reasons**

- 1.1 To make changes to the Council's Membership on Council Bodies following a request from the Council's Labour Group.

## **2. Recommendations**

The Committee is recommended to:

- 2.1 To approve changes to the membership of Council Bodies as set out in paragraphs 3.2 to 3.3 of the report.

## **3. Detail**

- 3.1 The Director of Law and Democratic Services has received a request from the Council's Labour Group to make amendments to its representation on the Children's Trust Board and the Joint Commissioning Board (Adults and Children).
- 3.2 At the meeting of Annual Council, held on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2012, Councillor Rochelle Russell was appointed to serve on the Children's Trust Board. The Labour Group has requested that Councillor Cindy Matthews be appointed to replace Councillor Rochelle Russell as a representative serving on this body.
- 3.3 At the meeting of the Annual Council, held on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2012, Councillor Ray Ballman was appointed as a representative to serve on the Joint Commissioning Board (Adults and Children). Councillor Rochelle Russell has been attending meetings of the Joint Commissioning Board (Adults and Children) as an observer. The Labour Group has notified the Director of Law and Democratic Services that Councillor Cindy Matthews will replace Councillor Rochelle Russell in this role and has requested that Councillor Cindy Matthews be appointed to serve as a deputy to Councillor Ray Ballman on the Joint Commissioning Board (Adults and Children). Currently the Labour Group has no formal deputy on this body although the Cabinet Member for Health and Adult Social Care and the Cabinet Member for Children's Services each have an individual named deputy.
- 3.4 Alternative Options
- No alternative option is proposed.

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## **4. Implications, Diversity Impact Assessment and Risk Management**

### Financial and Procurement Implications

- 4.1 There are no financial 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

- 4.2 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)

- 4.3 There are no Staffing, Sustainability, Health, Rural or Crime and Disorder implications for consideration.

### Links to One Swindon, Strategic Objectives, Plans and Policies

- 4.4 The delivery of effective, accountable and transparent decision making by the Council directly links to its overall policy and objectives.

### Diversity Impact Assessment

- 4.5 A Diversity Impact Assessment is not required.

### Risk Management

- 4.6 A Risk Management Assessment is not required.

## **5. Consultees**

- 5.1 The Board Director Finance, Revenues, Benefits and Property (Section 151 Officer) and Director of Law and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer) are consulted in respect of all reports.

## **6. Background Papers**

- 6.1 Council Constitution 2012/13

## **7. Appendices**

- 7.1 None.