

# Appointment of Co-optees

## Adults' Health, Adults' Care and Housing

### Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Date: 21<sup>st</sup> June 2016

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Locality Affected:	All Locality Areas
Parishes Affected:	All Parish Area

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#### 1. Purpose and Reasons

- The purpose of the report is to confirm the appointment of co-optees to the Adults' Health, Adult's Care and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the Municipal year 2016/17.
- The Adults' Health, Adult's Care and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee is permitted by the Council's Constitution to appoint non-voting co-opted members.

#### 2. Recommendations

##### The Committee is recommended to:

2.1 To agree the number of co-optees to be appointed to the Committee.

2.2 To confirm the appointment of the agreed co-opted representatives, to include:-

- Mark Edwards (Swindon Healthwatch)
- Representative from the Equalities Advisory Forum.

#### 3. Detail

3.1 The Council's Constitution states that each Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Sub-Committees or Task Group shall be entitled to appoint a number of people as non-voting co-optees.

3.2 In previous years, the Adult's Health, Social Care and Housing Overview and Scrutiny has appointed two co-optees.

3.3 The Committee is asked to determine whether any additional co-opted representatives should be sought to support its work programme for the year.

#### 4. Alternative Options

4.1 The Committee may choose only to appoint co-optees required under the Constitution and to appoint other co-optees to support their work programme on a meeting-by-meeting basis.

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#### 5. Implications, Diversity Impact Assessment and Risk Management

##### Financial and Procurement Implications

5.1 Co-opted representatives are entitled to claim travel and meal allowances in order to attend Council meetings, the costs of which are met from within the Allowance budget. There are no procurement implications arising from the contents of his report.

##### Legal and Human Rights Implications

5.2 Section 21 of the Local Government Act requires every local authority to establish an overview and scrutiny function to hold the Executive to account, undertake policy development and review, monitor and improve performance.

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

5.3 There are no other direct implications arising as a result of this report. Any further implications will be identified when a topic is reviewed by the Scrutiny Committee and in any recommendations made by the Scrutiny Committee.

##### Diversity Impact Assessment

5.4 No Diversity Impact Assessment is required at this stage. Any DIA that is required during review of topics included within the work programme will be identified at the appropriate stage

#### 6. Consultees

6.1 The Director of Finance (Section 151 Officer) and Director of Law and Democratic Services (Monitoring Officer) are consulted in respect of all reports.

#### 7. Background Papers

7.1 None.

#### 8. Appendices

8.1 None.