

# Appointment of Co-optees

## Children's Health, Social Care and Education

### Overview & Scrutiny Committee

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

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#### 1. Purpose and Reasons

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to confirm the appointment of co-optees to the Children's Health, Social Care and Education Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the Municipal year 2017/18.
- 1.2 The Children's Health, Social Care and Education Overview and Scrutiny Committee is permitted by the Council's Constitution to appoint parent governor and diocese representatives to its membership and may choose to appoint additional co-opted members.

#### 2. Recommendations

##### The Committee is recommended to:

- 2.1 To confirm the appointment of Liz Townend as the Church of England Diocese representative.
- 2.2 To confirm the appointment of Elaine Poulter as Parent Governor Representative.
- 2.3 To consider the appointment of the following non-voting representatives:
  - Alison Paul (Swindon Association of Special School Headteachers).
  - Gary Evans (Swindon Association of Primary Headteachers).
  - Steve Colledge (Swindon Association of Secondary Headteachers).
  - Steve Henderson (Equalities Advisory Forum).
  - Doug Morris (Swindon Parent and Carers Group)
- 2.4 To confirm the appointment of a Catholic Church Diocese representative to the Committee as and when nominations are received.
- 2.5 To confirm the appointment of a Healthwatch representative to the Committee as and when nominations are received.

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#### 3. Detail

- 3.1 The Council's Constitution states that the Children's Health, Social Care and Education Overview and Scrutiny Committee will appoint no more than 2 church representatives and 2 parent governor representatives to its membership as full voting members in respect of education matters. If the Children's Health, Social Care and Education Overview and Scrutiny Committee deals with other matters, these representatives shall not vote on those other matters, though they may stay in the meeting and speak.
- 3.2 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.

#### 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.

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#### Risk Management

- 5.5 Any risks arising from the proposals contained within this report will be managed through their implementation taking into consideration feedback from the consultation exercise.

#### **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.