

## **Climate Change Policy and Scrutiny Committee**

**12 November 2019**

Report of the Assistant Director – Legal & Governance

### **Report on Co-option**

#### **Summary**

1. This report outlines the opportunity to co-opt a number of experts and stakeholders onto the Climate Change Policy and Scrutiny Committee. This has been suggested in order to widen the range of viewpoints and expertise considering the topics in this committee's remit.

#### **Background**

2. The committee has made clear their intention to involve a number of stakeholders and experts in the deliberation of topics considered on this committee.
3. The committee feels, due to the wide-ranging impact and effect of issues being considered, that key stakeholders from organisations in York should be invited to join the committee.
4. Due to the nature of the topics that will be discussed, the committee may also wish to co-opt a number of technical experts to assist the committee in their work. There may also be regular instances where the Chair will invite organisations or groups on an ad-hoc basis to contribute with knowledge on specific agenda items.

#### **Consultation**

5. The Chair has consulted with various groups and individuals who have been considered for co-option.

#### **Options**

6. The Chair would like the committee to consider co-opting the following members of Extinction Rebellion to this committee:

- Chloe Wilcox
- Theo Steele
- Amelia Barber
- Maisie Outhart

Only one member can represent the organisation at any one meeting of the committee and co-opted members will not be able to vote on any committee decisions.

The Chair would also like to note his desire to invite appropriate members of the Stockholm Environment Institute to this committee on an ad-hoc basis, when their expertise is relevant.

Members can choose to approve the co-option of the above members, suggest additional representatives or choose to reject this suggestion. In addition, the Chair would like the unofficial consent to invite relevant experts from the Stockholm Environment Institute to meetings of this committee.

### **Analysis**

7. There is no analysis necessary in this report.

### **Council Plan**

8. The issues raised in this report are linked to Council Plan themes of 'A Greener and Cleaner City' and 'Getting Around Sustainably' as set out in the Council Plan 2019-23.

### **Risks and Implications**

9. There are no risks or implications arising from the recommendations in this report.

### **Recommendation**

10. The Committee is asked to approve the appointment of Chloe Wilcox, Theo Steele, Amelia Barber and Maisie Outhart to the committee as representatives from Extinction Rebellion, noting that only one representative may attend each meeting.
11. The Committee is also asked to give the Chair their consent to invite representatives of the Stockholm Environment Institute to meetings on an ad-hoc basis.

Reason: To ensure that the committee continues to seek the thoughts of key stakeholders and experts on the issues considered.

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