

Full Council

22 March 2021

Report of the Monitoring Officer

Joint Standards Committee – Changes to Parish Council Membership

Summary

This reports provides the details of the ballot held by the Yorkshire Association of Local Councils to fill the vacant Parish Council position on the Joint Standards Committee and also seek approval of the revised terms of reference so as to enable the Joint Standards Committee to accept the nomination. The amended terms of reference will be incorporated into the Council's Constitution.

Background

The Joint Standards Committee is established under s102 Local Government Act 1972 to operate jointly with City of York Council and nominated Parish Councils.

Until recently the nominated Parish Councils were Earswick Parish Council, Rawcliffe Parish Council and Strensall and Towthorpe Parish Council.

In late 2019, the resignation by the Parish Councillor from Earswick Parish Council triggered a ballot via the Yorkshire Association of Parish Council to fill the vacancy.

A copy of the existing Terms of Reference for the Joint Standards Committee is attached at Appendix One which reflects the current composition of the Joint Standards Committee.

Current Position

The Yorkshire Association of Local Councils has now advised that following a successful ballot, the nominee for the Joint Standards Committee is Parish Councillor Waudby from Rawcliffe Parish Council.

In order for Full Council to accept this nomination, the terms of reference of the Joint Standards Committee require amendment to reflect that there will be two Parish Councils in place of three represented on the Committee.

A proposed amended Terms of Reference is attached at Appendix Two of this report and if approved, this revised terms of reference will be incorporated into the Council's Constitution.

Implications

Financial

Not applicable to this report.

Human Resources (HR)

Not applicable to this report.

Equalities

Not applicable to this report.

Legal

The Joint Standards Committee is established under s102 Local Government Act 1972 as a joint committee of two or more councils, one of which is City of York Council.

Crime and Disorder, Information Technology and Property

Not applicable to this report.

Recommendations

Full Council is asked to:

1. Approve the amended terms of reference for the Joint Standards Committee as detailed at Appendix Two of this report to reflect that

Rawcliffe Parish Council and Strensall and Towthorpe Parish Council are members of the Committee.

2. Approve the appointment of Parish Councillor Waudby from Rawcliffe Parish Council to the Joint Standards Committee.

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**Report
Approved**

Date 2021

Specialist Implications Officer(s):

Wards Affected: *List wards or tick box to indicate all*

All

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Appendices

- Appendix 1 – Existing Joint Standards Committee Terms of Reference
- Appendix 2 – Proposed Joint Standards Committee Terms of Reference

Background Papers

City of York Council Constitution