

Notice of a public meeting of

Staffing Matters & Urgency Committee

- To:** Councillors Alexander (Chair), Fraser, Aspden, Steward and Watson
- Date:** Monday, 5 January 2015
- Time:** 12.00 pm
- Venue:** The Thornton Room - Ground Floor, West Offices (G039)

AGENDA

1. **Declarations of Interest**

At this point in the meeting, Members are asked to declare:

- any personal interests not included on the Register of Interests
- any prejudicial interests or
- any disclosable pecuniary interests

which they may have in respect of business on this agenda.

2. **Minutes** (Pages 1 - 2)

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting of the Staffing Matters & Urgency Committee held on Monday 22 December 2014.

3. **Public Participation**

At this point in the meeting members of the public who have registered their wish to speak regarding an item on the agenda or an issue within the Committee's remit can do so. The deadline for registering is **Friday 2 January 2015 at 5.00 pm**.

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4. Appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies

(Pages 3 - 8)

Following the Council meeting on 11 December 2014 and the appointment of a new Leader of the Council and the subsequent reduction in Cabinet members, a number of changes are now required to the previously agreed list of appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies. This report details the requested changes.

5. Urgent Business

Any other business which the Chair considers urgent under the Local Government Act 1972.

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City of York Council

Committee Minutes

Meeting	Staffing Matters & Urgency Committee
Date	22 December 2014
Present	Councillors Simpson-Laing (Vice-Chair, in the Chair), Fraser, Aspden and Steward
Apologies	Councillors Alexander and Watson

59. Declarations of Interest

At this point in the meeting, Members were asked to declare any personal, prejudicial or disclosable pecuniary interests that they might have had in respect of business on the agenda. None were declared.

60. Exclusion of Press and Public

Resolved: That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of an annex to Agenda Item 5 (Redundancy) (Minute Item 63 refers) as it contained information relating to individuals and the financial affairs of particular persons. This information is classed as exempt under Paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Schedule 12A to Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as revised by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006).

61. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 8 December 2014 be approved and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

62. Public Participation

It was reported that there had been no registrations to speak under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

63. Redundancy

Members received a report which advised them of the expenditure associated with the proposed dismissal of two employees on the grounds of voluntary redundancy.

Resolved: That the expenditure associated with the proposed dismissal of the employees on the grounds of redundancy be noted.

Reason: In order to provide an overview of the expenditure.

Councillor T Simpson-Laing, Chair

[The meeting started at 1.00 pm and finished at 1.02 pm].



Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee**5 January 2015**

Report of the Assistant Director, Governance and ICT

Appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies**Summary**

1. Following the Council meeting on 11 December 2014 and the appointment of a new Leader of the Council and the subsequent reduction in Cabinet members, a number of changes are now required to the previously agreed list of appointments to Committees and Outside Bodies.

Background

2. At Council on 11 December 2014 Councillor Williams was appointed to replace Councillor Alexander as Leader of the Council. This was followed by Councillor Merrett stepping down from the Cabinet, changes in the Cabinet Members portfolios and Councillor Steward joining the Cabinet as a Cabinet Member without portfolio.
3. Although the Council makes appointments at its Annual Meeting, to Committees for the coming year and the Extraordinary Meeting, held on 23 October 2014, reviewed the allocation of seats, appointments to the Council structure and outside bodies for the remainder of the municipal year, further changes have been now requested, in light of the above changes in Cabinet membership.
4. Additional changes have also been requested to the Conservative Group's membership on and the Vice-Chair appointment to the Local Plan Working Group.
5. As the Staffing Matters & Urgency Committee has authority to deal with any changes or appointments to those Committees and bodies within year, Annex A sets out the list of changes now put forward for consideration.

Consultation

6. In accordance with the usual process for gathering nominations to available places, the relevant Groups and individuals have been

consulted, as appropriate, and provided with the necessary information.

Options

7. The Committee has the option either to approve or propose alternatives to the nominations proposed in this report.

Council Plan 2011-15

8. Establishing an appropriate decision making and scrutiny structure and appointees to that, contributes to the Council delivering its core priorities set out in the Council Plan, effectively.

Implications

9. There are no known implications in relation to the following in terms of dealing with the specific matters before Members:
 - Financial
 - Human Resources (HR)
 - Equalities
 - Crime and Disorder
 - Property
 - Other

Legal Implications

10. The Council is statutorily obliged to make appointments to Committees, Advisory Committees, Sub-Committees and certain other prescribed bodies in accordance with the political balance rules.

Risk Management

11. In compliance with the Council's risk management strategy, there are no known risks associated with the recommendations in this report.

Recommendations

12. Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee is asked to consider and agree the changes to Committees and Outside Bodies, set out at Annex A of the report, for the remainder of the 2014/15 municipal year.

Reason: In order to make appropriate appointments to the Council's Committees and Outside Bodies for the current municipal year.

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**Report
Approved**

Date 23 December 2014

Specialist Implications Officers

Not applicable

Wards Affected: Not applicable

All

For further information please contact the author of the report

Background Papers

None

Annexes

Annex A – Schedule of requested changes to Committees and Outside Bodies

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Membership of Committees, Working Groups and Outside Bodies

Committees/Working Groups

Planning Committee

To appoint Councillor Funnell in place of Councillor Williams

Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee

To appoint Cllr Simpson-Laing in place of Councillor Alexander, as Chair of the Committee

Local Plan Working Group

- (i) To appoint Councillor Healey, as a Conservative rep, in place of Councillor Watt
- (ii) To appoint Councillor Steward as the Conservative Vice-Chair
- (iii) To appoint a Labour substitute in place of Councillor Alexander, *tbc*

Gambling, Licensing and Regulatory Committee

To appoint a Labour representative to replace Councillor Alexander, *tbc*

Outside Bodies

Leeds City Region LEP Leaders Board

Local Government Association – General Assembly

Local Government North Yorkshire and York

Local Government Yorkshire and Humber

Visit York

West Yorkshire Combined Authority

West Yorkshire Combined Authority – Investment Committee (as CYC nominee)

Without Walls Partnership

York, North Yorkshire and East Riding LEP Board Member

To appoint Councillor Williams in place of Councillor Alexander on the above outside bodies

Local Government North Yorkshire and York Housing Board (substitute)
To appoint Councillor Williams as substitute in place of Councillor Alexander.

City of York Trading Company Shareholder Board

To appoint Councillor Cunningham Cross to replace Councillor Alexander on the Board (*subject to formal agreement with the CYT Board*)

Leeds City Region LEP Employment & Skills Board (Labour substitute)
York Central Lead Members
York Economic Partnership

To appoint Cllr Levene to replace Councillor Alexander on the above outside bodies

Local Government Association – Councillors Forum
Local Government Information Unit

To appoint Councillor Simpson-Laing to replace Councillor Alexander on the above bodies

Corporate Joint Consultative Committee – tbc

North Yorkshire Pension Fund - tbc