

## **Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee**

**18 October 2021**

Report of the Director of Governance and Monitoring Officer

### **Changes to Membership of Committees, Joint Committees administered by other Councils, Regional Local Authority Bodies and Other Bodies**

#### **Summary**

1. At the Annual Council meeting on 27 May 2021, appointments were made to Committees, Sub-Committees and Outside Bodies for the 2021/22 municipal year. Further changes are required to the membership, as set out below.

#### **Background**

2. Further to the appointments to Committees etc. made at the Annual Meeting, Staffing Matters & Urgency Committee has authority to deal any in-year changes or appointments to any Committees and Outside Bodies, and the following changes are put forward for consideration:

##### Children, Education and Communities Policy and Scrutiny Committee

Councillor Baker has indicated that she wishes to step down as Chair of this Committee, however Councillor Baker will still remain as a Member of the Committee.

The Liberal Democrats wish to appoint a second Substitute to this Committee. It is proposed that Councillor Orrell is removed as a Member of the Committee and is appointed as a Substitute and that Councillor Daubeney is appointed as a Member of the Committee to take the vacant Liberal Democrat seat on the Committee. It is proposed that Councillor Daubeney be appointed Chair of Children, Education and Communities Policy and Scrutiny Committee.

##### Customer and Corporate Services Scrutiny Management Committee

Councillor Hook is currently a Member of this Committee and Councillor Orrell is a substitute. The Liberal Democrats wish to swap the roles of these Councillors, which will mean that Councillor Orrell is appointed as

a Member of Customer and Corporate Services Scrutiny Management Committee and Councillor Hook is appointed as a Liberal Democrat substitute to the Committee.

### **Consultation**

3. Normal processes to consult the relevant political Group have been applied to ensure the Group nominates the Members of their choice. No other consultation is specifically required in this instance.

### **Options**

4. There are no alternative options available as this is simply for the Groups concerned to nominate appropriate candidates to either replace the Member concerned or to fill a position that has become available. This Committee will then consider and determine those nominations.

### **Council Plan**

5. Maintaining an appropriate decision making and scrutiny structure and appointees that contribute to the Council delivering its core priorities set out in the current Council Plan, effectively.

### **Implications**

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

### **Legal Implications**

7. 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. These rules may only be waived where no Member votes against the proposal.

### **Risk Management**

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

### Recommendations

9. Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee is asked to consider and approve the changes to committee and outside body appointments as set out in paragraph 2.

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

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**Specialist Implications Officers**

Not applicable

**Wards Affected:**

**All**

For further information please contact the author of the report

**Background Papers:** None

**Annexes:** None