

Report of the Assistant Director, Governance and ICT

**Update - Changes to Appointments to Council Bodies**

1. At the Annual Council meeting on 23 May 2013 appointments were made to Committees, outside and partnership bodies together with appointments to Chairs and Vice-Chairs for the 2013/14 municipal year. However, since those appointments were made we have been advised of an addition and a change that are required to the agreed list.

**Background**

2. At the Annual Council meeting the following appointments were made to the York Education Partnership:

York Education Partnership (2)

Labour (1)	Cllr Looker
	Cllr Cunningham-Cross (Substitute)
Liberal Democrat (1)	Cllr Runciman
	Cllr Reid (Substitute)

It has since come to light that under the terms of reference of this Group that the membership should consist of:

- The Cabinet Member (Cllr Looker) together with
- A representative of the main Opposition Group (Cllr Brooks) (Conservative)

In view of the cross party interest in education within the city, we are currently liaising with the Partnership with a view to potentially increasing member representation on this body. Details of the outcome of these discussions, if known, will be reported at the meeting.

3. Appointments were also made at the Annual Meeting to the North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority at which time the remaining third

Labour nomination was still to be confirmed. Notification of this final Labour place on the Fire Authority will be reported at the meeting.

4. Since this report was written we have also been informed of the two Conservative substitute representatives, on the Heath Overview & Scrutiny Committee (Cllrs Richardson and Galvin), which were to be confirmed following the Annual Council meeting.
5. These matters have been brought to the Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee for agreement in view of the timing of forthcoming meetings and following receipt of further information since the appointments were made at the Annual Meeting.

### **Consultation**

6. In accordance with the usual process for gathering nominations to available places at the Annual Council Meeting, the relevant Groups have been consulted and provided with the necessary information.

### **Options**

7. Options open to the Committee are to approve or not approve the changes to the Council appointments set out at paragraphs 2 and 3 of the report.

### **Council Plan 2011-15**

8. Establishing an appropriate decision making and scrutiny structure, 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 matter before Members, namely to consider nominations to places on Committees and outside bodies:
  - 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. These rules may only be waived where no Member votes against the proposal.

## Risk Management

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

## Recommendation

12. Staffing Matters and Urgency Committee is asked to consider and agree the appointments to the North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Authority and the York Education Partnership, together with the substitute representatives on the Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee for the remainder of the 2013/14 municipal year.

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

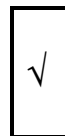
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### Specialist Implications Officers

Not applicable

**Wards Affected:** Not applicable

**All**

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**Background Papers** None  
**Annexes** None