
Appointment to an Outside Body

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| Committee considering report: | Individual Executive Member Decisions |
| Date of decision: | 6 November 2024 |
| Portfolio Member: | Councillor Jeff Brooks |
| Report Author: | Darius Zarazel |
| Forward Plan Ref: | ID4621 |

1 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 This Individual Executive Member Decision deals with the appointment of a new representative to serve as the Council’s representative on the Building Communities Together Partnership.

2 Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Leader of the Council appoints Councillor Justin Pemberton to be the Council’s representative on the Building Communities Together Partnership, replacing the existing representative, Councillor Martha Vickers.

3 Implications and Impact Assessment

| Implication | Commentary |
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| Financial: | There are no expected financial implications directly arising from the recommended decision. |
| Human Resource: | There are no expected HR implications directly arising from the recommended decision. |
| Legal: | There are no expected legal implications directly arising from the recommended decision. |
| Risk Management: | There are no expected risk management implications directly arising from the recommended decision. |
| Property: | There are no expected property implications directly arising from the recommended decision. |

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| Policy: | There are no expected policy implications directly arising from the recommended decision. | | | |
| | Positive | Neutral | Negative | Commentary |
| Equalities Impact: | | | | |
| A Are there any aspects of the proposed decision, including how it is delivered or accessed, that could impact on inequality? | | X | | |
| B Will the proposed decision have an impact upon the lives of people with protected characteristics, including employees and service users? | | X | | |
| Environmental Impact: | | X | | None. |
| Health Impact: | | X | | None. |
| ICT Impact: | | X | | None. |
| Digital Services Impact: | | X | | None. |
| Council Strategy Priorities: | X | | | The continued appointment of members as representatives of the Council to outside bodies supports Council Priority Area: 5. Thriving communities with a strong local voice. |
| Core Business: | | X | | None. |

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| Data Impact: | | X | | None. |
| Consultation and Engagement: | Stephen Chard – Democratic Services Manager Approved | | | |

4 Executive Summary

- 4.1 This report is being brought to the Leader of the Council as Councillor Justin Pemberton has agreed to replace Councillor Martha Vickers as the Council’s representative on the Building Communities Together Partnership.
- 4.2 The Leader of the Council, using their delegated powers, has the authority to appoint representatives to outside bodies - except regulatory bodies. All appointments are made in accordance with Appendix J to Part 13 of the Constitution (Protocol for Council Representatives on Outside Bodies).
- 4.3 Therefore, the Leader of the Council is recommended to approve the appointment of Councillor Justin Pemberton to the Building Communities Together Partnership.

5 Introduction/Background

- 5.1 The Council makes appointments to the Building Communities Together Partnership and finds value in this continued participation. As Councillor Martha Vickers intends to stand down for this position, if a replacement is not made then this will result in a vacancy.
- 5.2 Filling this vacancy and making appointments to outside bodies supports Council Priority Area: 5. ‘Thriving communities with a strong local voice’, as well as allowing the Council to build strong working relations with local stakeholders and partners.
- 5.3 For these reasons, replacing Councillor Martha Vickers is strongly encouraged.
- 5.4 Councillor Justin Pemberton has agreed to replace Councillor Martha Vickers and therefore the Leader is recommended to approve the replacement.

6 Supporting Information

- 6.1 The matters of facts relating to this report are outlined in points 4 and 5 above.

7 Options for consideration

- 7.1 The alternative option would be to do nothing and that a replacement for Councillor Martha Vickers is not made. This would result in a vacancy.

8 Conclusion

- 8.1 As maintaining outside appointments fulfils the Council's priorities, the Leader of the Council is recommended to appoint Councillor Justin Pemberton to be the Council's representative on the Building Communities Together Partnership.

There are no appendices

Subject to Call-In:

Yes: No:

- The item is due to be referred to Council for final approval
- Delays in implementation could have serious financial implications for the Council
- Delays in implementation could compromise the Council's position
- Considered or reviewed by Scrutiny Commission or associated Committees or Task Groups within preceding six months
- Item is Urgent Key Decision
- Report is to note only

Wards affected: All

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