

Report of:	Managing Director
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Key Decision:	No
Report Track:	Council: 06/07/16

COUNCIL
6 JULY, 2016
REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES 2016-17

1 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To consider the appointment of a representative and substitute representative to an outside body for 2016-17 not previously determined at the Annual Council Meeting.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 That Council determine the appointment of a representative and substitute representative for 2016-17 for the West Midlands Combined Authority – Audit Committee.

3 Key Issues and Reasons for Recommendation

- 3.1 Each year the Council is required to appoint representatives to a number of outside bodies. A schedule of those bodies to which the Council appoints representatives together with nominations is usually circulated at the Annual Council Meeting.
- 3.2 Since the Annual Council Meeting it has been established that the Council is also required to make the following additional appointments:

Name of Body	No. of Seats	Term of Appointment	Date of Retirement
West Midlands Combined Authority – Audit Committee	1	1 Year	2017 Annual Meeting
West Midlands Combined Authority – Audit Committee – substitute Member	1	1 Year	2017 Annual Meeting

- 3.3 Under normal circumstances, the Managing Director has delegated authority, in consultation with the Political Group Leaders, to make additional appointments to any outside bodies, as necessary, throughout the municipal year. However, determination of appointments to outside bodies is a matter for Council (at the Annual Council Meeting) in the first instance.

4 Relationship to Corporate Priorities

- 4.1 The Council, through its democratic process, contributes to the Council's Corporate Priorities and promotes community engagement through the appointment of representatives to outside bodies.

5 Report Detail

- 5.1 Each year the Council is required to appoint representatives to a number of outside bodies. A schedule of those bodies to which the Council appoints representatives together with nominations is usually circulated at the Annual Council Meeting and the nominations are voted on.
- 5.2 Since the Annual Council Meeting it has been established that the Council is also required to appoint a representative and substitute representative to the West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA) – Audit Committee.
- 5.3 The Council is required to appoint one representative to the WMCA – Audit Committee for a one year term, along with one substitute representative, and these appointments will normally be made at the Annual Council Meeting. The appointments are not required to be in accordance with the political balance of the WMCA.
- 5.4 Although the Managing Director has delegated authority, in consultation with / on receiving nominations from the Political Group Leaders, to make additional appointments to any outside bodies, as necessary, throughout the municipal year, this is a matter that would otherwise be determined by full Council at the Annual Council Meeting.

6 Implications

6.1 Financial

There are no direct financial implications arising from this report. Any costs which arise from appointments determined as an approved duty, and thereby subject to travel and subsistence claims, will have to be met from existing Members' budgets.

6.2 Legal

Unless otherwise specified by statute, Section 101 of the Local Government Act 1972 empowers the Council to arrange for the discharge of any of its functions by an officer of the Council.

The Local Government Act 1972, Section 101(1) provides that:

subject to any express provision contained in this act or any act passed after this Act, a local authority may arrange for the discharge of any of their functions –

(a) by a committee, a sub-committee or an officer of the authority...”

Council can therefore delegate the appointment of representatives on outside bodies to the Managing Director.

Should the appointment relate to executive functions, then the power to delegate the making of such appointments to the Managing Director rests with Cabinet in accordance with Section 14 of the Local Government Act, 2000.

6.3 Human Resources

None.

6.4 Section 17 (Crime Prevention)

None.

6.5 Human Rights Act

None.

6.6 Data Protection

None.

6.7 Risk Management

None.

6.8 Equality & Diversity

None.

Previous Consideration

Representatives on Outside Bodies 2016-17	Annual Council Meeting	25 May, 2016
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Background Papers

None