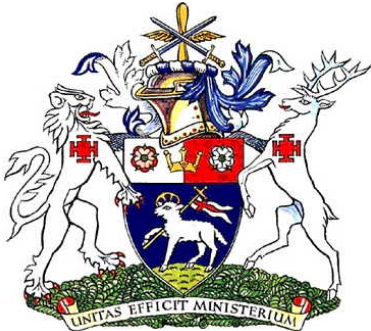


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|  | <p>General Functions Committee 18 February 2016</p> |
| <p style="text-align: right;">Title</p> | <p>Appointments to Outside Bodies</p> |
| <p style="text-align: right;">Report of</p> | <p>Head of Governance</p> |
| <p style="text-align: right;">Wards</p> | <p>All</p> |
| <p style="text-align: right;">Status</p> | <p>Public</p> |
| <p style="text-align: right;">Urgent</p> | <p>No</p> |
| <p style="text-align: right;">Key</p> | <p>No</p> |
| <p style="text-align: right;">Enclosures</p> | <p>Appendix A - List of Vacancies on Outside Bodies (To Follow)</p> |
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Summary

The Committee is asked to appoint representatives in respect of vacancies on the outside bodies listed in Appendix A.

Recommendation

- 1. That the Committee appoints representatives in respect of local authority vacancies on the outside bodies listed in Appendix A.**

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1 The Committee has a responsibility to appoint to vacancies in respect of local authority representatives on outside bodies. This assists each outside body to be fully constituted and operate an efficient and effective manner.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 The General Functions Committee (or Full Council where an urgent decision is required) appoints candidates vacancies on outside bodies.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

- 3.1 None

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

- 4.1 The Head of Governance in the Assurance Group of the local authority will notify the outside body of the appointment made.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.1.1 To ensure that the council has robust governance arrangements that enable the delivery of its objectives as set out in the Corporate Plan, its decision making structures will be kept under review to provide effective opportunities for resident participation and engagement.

- 5.1.2 Through the timely execution of its functions, the Committee can assist outside bodies to fulfil their duties and contribute to the corporate priorities to make sure Barnet is a place:

- of opportunity, where people can further their quality of life
- where people are helped to help themselves, recognising that prevention is better than cure
- where responsibility is shared, fairly
- where services are delivered efficiently to get value for money for the taxpayer.

5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

- 5.2.1 None in the context of this report.

5.3 Social Value

- 5.3.1 The Public Services (Social Value) Act 2013 is not directly applicable in the context of this report.

5.4 Legal and Constitutional References

- 5.4.1 Responsibility for appointing local authority representatives to outside bodies is attributed to the General Functions Committee in accordance with Annex A to Responsibility for Functions:

[Section 15 London Borough of Barnet Constitution - Responsibility for Functions](#)

5.5 Risk Management

- 5.5.1 None in the context of this report.

5.6 **Equalities and Diversity**

The Committee is advised that the 2010 Equality Act outlines the provisions of the Public Sector Equalities Duty which requires Public Bodies to have due regard to the need to:

- eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Equality Act 2010;
- advance equality of opportunity between people from different groups; and
- foster good relations between people from different groups.

5.6.1 All sectors of the community are eligible for appointment to the vacancies. It is expected that all political parties will promote equalities and diversity when considering candidates for the vacancies.

5.6.2 In delivering this Corporate Plan, the Council's priorities and the actions it takes to deliver them will reflect our Strategic Equalities Objective which is that citizens will be treated equally, with understanding and respect, and will have equal access to quality services which provide value to the tax payer.

5.7 **Consultation and Engagement**

5.7.1 Not applicable.

5.8 **Insight**

5.8.1 Insight data has not been used to inform the decision required.

6. **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

None