

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE**APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES****Purpose of the Report**

1. To agree the establishment of the Council Committees and make appointments to the positions of Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

Information and Advice

2. Under the Council's Constitution, the Annual Meeting of the Full Council is required to establish such Committees as the Council sees fit.
3. The current committee structure governing the County Council is set out below. Their terms of reference are set out in the Council's Constitution and it is proposed that their re-establishment for the forthcoming municipal year be confirmed:-

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| • Adult Social Care and Health Committee | • Environment and Sustainability Committee |
| • Appeals Sub-Committee* | • Finance and Property Committee |
| • Audit Committee | • Grant Aid Sub-Committee |
| • Children and Young People's Committee | • Health and Wellbeing Board |
| • Conduct Committee | • Health Scrutiny Committee |
| • Community Safety Committee | • Local Joint Resolutions Committee |
| • Corporate Parenting Sub-Committee | • Mental Health Guardianship Panel* |
| • Culture Committee | • Nottinghamshire Local Pensions Board |
| • Economic Development Committee | • Nottinghamshire Pension Fund Committee |

- Pensions Investment Sub-Committee
- Pensions Sub-Committee
- Personnel Committee
- Planning and Licensing Committee*
- Policy Committee
- Public Health Committee
- Senior Staffing Sub-Committee*
- Transport and Highways Committee

*With regard to the appointments to these committees, sub-committees and panels it is mandatory for the members to have received the appropriate training before sitting on them.

4. The County Council also agree to participate in the following joint committees for the forthcoming municipal year:-

- Bus Lane Adjudication Service Joint Committee
- City of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Economic Prosperity Committee
- Greater Nottingham Light Rapid Transport Advisory Committee
- Joint City/County Health Scrutiny Committee
- Joint Committee on Strategic Planning and Transport
- Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Panel
- Parking Adjudication Joint Committee

5. As in previous years, it is proposed that the Leader be appointed as an ex-officio member of all committees and sub-committees of which he is not a voting full member, except the Appeals Sub-Committee, Conduct Committee, Health Scrutiny Committee, Mental Health Guardianship Panel, Planning and Licensing Committee, Senior Staffing Sub-Committee, and Joint Committees. As an ex-officio Member the Leader would have the right to speak but not to vote at meetings.

6. In determining the membership of Committees, account must be taken of the requirements of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 and 1991 made under sections 15 and 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989. These Regulations require that seats on Committees and Sub-Committees are allocated to the political Groups in a way which reflects the overall balance on the Council. The advice of the Monitoring Officer is that to comply with legislative requirements the allocation of seats should be based on overall seat numbers rather than on individual committee numbers. The chart in Appendix A reflects this.

JOINT COMMITTEES WITH CITY COUNCIL

7. There are currently three Joint Committees between the County and Nottingham City Councils as follows:-

- Greater Nottingham Light Rapid Transit Advisory Committee
- Joint Committee on Strategic Planning and Transport
- Joint City / County Health Scrutiny Committee

8. The appointment of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee and the Joint Committee on Strategic Planning and Transport are undertaken in accordance with an agreement between the County and the City Councils. Under this agreement in the forthcoming municipal year the Chairman of the Joint Health Scrutiny Committee will be nominated by the County Council and the Vice-Chairman by the City Council. The Chairman of the Joint Committee on Strategic Planning and Transport will be nominated by the City Council and the Vice-Chairman by the County Council for the forthcoming municipal year.

OTHER JOINT COMMITTEES

City of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Economic Prosperity Committee

9. This is a joint Committee of all the District / Borough Councils in Nottinghamshire, Nottingham City and the County Council. The Committee membership is:-

Ashfield District Council (1); Bassetlaw District Council (1); Broxtowe Borough Council (1); Gedling Borough Council (1); Mansfield District Council (1); Newark & Sherwood District Council (1); Nottingham City Council (4); Nottinghamshire County Council (1); Rushcliffe Borough Council (1)

10. The terms of reference of the Committee require that the appointed Member from each constituent authority be the Leader / Elected Mayor or other executive member or committee chairman from each authority. The current County Council member is the Leader of the Council and it is proposed that this continues. Each constituent authority is also required to appoint a named substitute member. The current substitute member is the Chairman of the Economic Development Committee and it is proposed that this continues.

Nottinghamshire Local Pensions Board

11. The Nottinghamshire Local Pension Board is a body that has been established to scrutinise the work of the Council in its capacity as local pension authority. There is a membership of 8, including 1 County Council representative; the specific membership requirements are set out in legislation and the Board is not subject to the rules of political proportionality.

Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Panel

12. The Police and Crime Panel is a joint Committee of all the District / Borough Councils in Nottinghamshire, Nottingham City and the County Council.
13. Legislation stipulates that Police and Crime Panel must represent all parts of the relevant area, be politically balanced and have a membership that has the necessary skills, knowledge and experience. The current panel membership is:-

Ashfield District Council (1); Bassetlaw District Council (1); Broxtowe Borough Council (1); Gedling Borough Council (1); Mansfield District Council (1); Newark & Sherwood District Council (1); Nottingham City Council (2 & 2 co-optees);

Nottinghamshire County Council (1 & 3 co-optees); Rushcliffe Borough Council (1), plus 4 Independent Member co-optees.

14. The County Council is automatically allocated one place on the Panel. Additionally in order to achieve political balance on the Panel, the County Council have been allocated two co-opted places for the Conservative Group and one co-opted place for the Liberal Democrat Group. It is proposed the current arrangements and named individuals be re-appointed for the forthcoming municipal year.

Bus Lane Adjudication Service Joint Committee

15. A joint committee with a number of other local authorities has been established for the purpose of adjudicating services for the bus lane enforcement. The current member is the Chairman of the Transport and Highways Committee and it is proposed this continues.

Parking Adjudication Joint Committee

16. A joint committee with a number of other local authorities has been established for this and the Chairman of the Transport and Highways Committee is the current member. It is proposed this continues.

Nottinghamshire and City of Nottingham Fire Authority

17. The County Council is required to appoint 12 members to the Nottinghamshire and City of Nottingham Fire Authority. Appointments must be made in accordance with political proportionality as per the recommendation.

External Appointments

18. The Council's appointments to a number of Outside Bodies are due for renewal in this municipal year. Pending the wider review of Outside Bodies appointments following the next County Council election, it is proposed that the existing appointments be renewed as follows:-

- East Midlands Councils – The Leader
- East Midlands Councils Executive Board – The Leader
- East Midlands Councils Improvement and Transformation Board – The Leader
- East Midlands Councils Strategic Migration Board – Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts
- Groundwork Greater Nottingham – Councillor Jim Creamer
- Rural Services Network – The Leader

Reason for Recommendations

19. Under the Council's Constitution, the Annual Meeting of the Council has to establish such Committees as the Council sees fit.

Statutory and Policy Implications

20. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, the public sector equality duty, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, ways of working, sustainability and the environment, and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Financial Implications

21. There are no changes to the existing Committee structure proposed and therefore there are no financial implications arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended:-

- (a) That the Council confirm the establishment of the Committees and Sub-Committees of Council with their existing terms of reference and with the membership as set out in Appendix A.
- (b) That a Mental Health Guardianship Panel continues to be established with 5 members (2 Labour Group, 2 Conservative Group, 1 Liberal Democrat Group), to make decisions on renewal and discharge of guardianship under the Mental Health Act 1983.
- (c) That the membership of the Nottinghamshire Local Pensions Board be confirmed as one County Councillor, one City Councillor, two other employer representatives, one Trade Union representative and three other pension scheme member representatives.
- (d) That the Council confirms its continued participation in the Joint Committees and with the membership as set out in Appendix A, where listed.
- (e) That the other representatives on the following committees / sub-committees be appointed as follows:-
 - (1) Children and Young People's Committee: One representative of the Church of England Diocese, one representative of the Roman Catholic Diocese, and two Parent Governors
 - (2) Health and Wellbeing Board: Seven District / Boroughs Councillors, six NHS Clinical Commissioning Group representatives, one Healthwatch, one NHS England, the Police and Crime Commissioner, three officers – Corporate Director, Adult Social Care, Health and Public Protection, Corporate Director, Children, Families and Cultural Services, Director of Public Health
 - (3) Health Scrutiny Committee: 1 co-opted Councillor with voting rights from each of the following authorities – Ashfield District Council, Bassetlaw District Council, Mansfield District Council and Newark and Sherwood District Council.

- (4) Pensions Investment Sub-Committee: Three City Councillors, two Nottinghamshire District / Borough Council representatives, two Trade Union Representatives, one Scheduled Body representative
- (5) Pensions Sub-Committee: Three City Councillors, two Nottinghamshire District / Borough Council representatives, two Trade Union representatives, one Scheduled Body representative plus two pensioner representatives.
- (6) Economic Development Committee: Two representatives of the Business Community.
- (f) That the Leader of the Council be an ex-officio member of all committees and sub-committees except the Appeals Sub-Committee, Conduct Committee, Health Scrutiny Committee, Mental Health Guardianship Panel; Planning and Licensing Committee, Senior Staffing Sub-Committee and Joint Committees; with the right to speak but not to vote.
- (g) That the Council make the following appointments of Chairman and Vice-Chairman until the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2017, it being noted that the appointment of a Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Mental Health Guardianship Panel, Senior Staffing Sub-Committee or Conduct Committee will be a matter for that Sub-Committee:-

Committee	Chairman	Vice-Chairman
Adult Social Care and Health	Muriel Weisz	Alan Bell
Appeals Sub-Committee	Sheila Place	Nicki Brooks
Audit	Keith Walker	Sheila Place
Children and Young People	John Peck JP	Liz Plant and Kate Foale
Community Safety	Glynn Gilfoyle	Alice Grice
Corporate Parenting Sub-Committee	Liz Plant	Not applicable
Culture	John Knight	Pauline Allan
Economic Development	Diana Meale	Roy Allan
Environment and Sustainability	Jim Creamer	Pamela Skelding
Finance and Property	David Kirkham	Darren Langton
Grant Aid Sub Committee	Joyce Bosnjak	Martin Suthers OBE
Health and Wellbeing Board	Joyce Bosnjak	Appointed by the Board
Health Scrutiny Committee	Colleen Harwood	John Allin
Joint Cttee on Strategic Planning & Transport	City Councillor	Jim Creamer
Joint Health Scrutiny (with City)	Parry Tsimbiridis	City Councillor
Nottinghamshire Pension Fund	Reg Adair	Mike Pringle
Pensions Investment Sub-Committee	Reg Adair	Mike Pringle
Pensions Sub-Committee	Reg Adair	Mike Pringle
Personnel	Sheila Place	Nicki Brooks
Planning & Licensing	John Wilkinson	Sue Saddington
Policy	Alan Rhodes	Joyce Bosnjak
Public Health Committee	Joyce Bosnjak	Glynn Gilfoyle
Transport and Highways	Kevin Greaves	Steve Calvert

- (h) That the Leader of the Council continues to be the representative appointed to the City of Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Economic Prosperity Committee and the Chairman of the Economic Development Committee continues to be appointed to act as substitute.
- (i) That the current appointments to the Nottinghamshire Police and Crime Panel including the existing co-options from the Council's Conservative Group and Liberal Democrat Group be continued to maintain political balance across the area of the Panel.
- (j) That the 12 places on the Nottinghamshire and City of Nottingham Fire Authority will be allocated between the groups as follows;-
 - Labour Group 6
 - Conservative Group 4
 - Liberal Democrat Group 1
 - Ashfield Independents Group 1
- (k) That the Chairman of the Transport and Highways Committee continues to be the representative appointed to the Bus Lane Adjudication Service Joint Committee and the Parking Adjudication Joint Committee.
- (l) That the appointment of members of the political groups to committees, sub-committees and joint committees be undertaken by the Team Manager, Democratic Services on behalf of the Chief Executive (the Proper Officer) in order to give effect to the wishes of the political groups in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, the Local Government Act 2000 the relevant Statutory Regulations and the Council's Standing Orders.
- (m) That the Team Manager, Democratic Services be authorised to act on behalf of the Chief Executive (Proper Officer) to appoint people as co-optees to membership of committees when required.
- (n) That the following renewed appointments to Outside Bodies be approved:-
 - East Midlands Councils – The Leader
 - East Midlands Councils Executive Board – The Leader
 - East Midlands Councils Improvement and Transformation Board – The Leader
 - East Midlands Councils Strategic Migration Board – Councillor Mrs Kay Cutts
 - Groundwork Greater Nottingham – Councillor Jim Creamer
 - Rural Services Network – The Leader

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Constitutional Comments (SLB 28/04/2016)

It is within the functions reserved to the County Council to decide the issues set out in this report

Financial Comments (RWK 28/04/2016)

There are no specific financial implications arising directly from this report.

Background Papers

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

None

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All