



meeting **COUNTY COUNCIL**

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## REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

### MEMBERSHIP OF THE COUNCIL AND APPOINTMENTS TO THE EXECUTIVE AND COMMITTEES

#### 1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To update Council on appointments made to the Executive, appoint a Chair to a Committee of the Council and on the need to further review the political balance of the Council following the by-election held in the Sutton-in-Ashfield North Division on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2007.

#### 2. Information and Advice

- 2.1 I reported to the last meeting of Council on the outcome of the by-election in the Hucknall Division. That report also indicated that a further by-election was to be held, in the Sutton-in-Ashfield North Division. This election was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2007 and at the time of writing this report it is not possible, therefore, to include details of this and any affect on the overall political balance of the Council. It is fair to say that any such effect will be marginal and further supplementary information will be provided for Council when the result is known. Since the last meeting the Leader has, in accordance with his constitutional delegation, made the following appointments:-

- Councillor Alan Rhodes appointed as Cabinet Member for Adult Services and Health
- Councillor Yvonne Woodhead appointed as Deputy Cabinet Member for Adult Services and Health.

In view of Councillor Woodhead's appointment as above, there is now a vacancy in the position of Chair of the Appeals Committee, and it is recommended below that Councillor Helen Holt be appointed to this position.

#### 3. Statutory and Policy Implications

This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, personnel, crime and disorder

and those using the service and where such implications are material they have been described in the text of the report.

#### **4. RECOMMENDATION**

1. That the report be noted;
2. that the appointments made by the Leader as set out above, be noted;
3. that Councillor Helen Holt be appointed as Chair of the Appeals Committee
4. that the Council consider further supplementary information to be provided on the outcome of the by-election in the Sutton-in-Ashfield North Division.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

#### **Financial Comments of the Strategic Director (Resources) (NS)**

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

#### **Legal Services Comments (JMF .3.07)**

The Local Government and Housing Act 1989 requires the Authority to ensure that Committees and Sub-Committees reflect political balance in the same proportions as overall Membership of the Authority.

#### **Background Papers Available for Inspection**

Election results.

#### **Electoral Divisions Affected**

In respect of the specific by-election, Sutton-in-Ashfield North.

In terms of the overall implications of the issues reported, all.