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**Council**

**14 May 2025**

**Appointment of Chairs and Vice Chairs  
of Committees of the Council**

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**Report of: Janet Witkowski, Acting Governance, Compliance and  
Monitoring Officer**

**Report Reference No: C/2/25-26**

**All Wards: Affected**

**For Decision**

**Purpose of Report**

- 1 To appoint Chairs and Vice Chairs to the Council's committees.

**Executive Summary**

- 2 The Constitution states that one of the functions of full Council is to appoint the Chairs and Vice Chairs to committees.
- 3 This report sets out the nominations to the positions of Chairs and Vice Chairs to the Council's committees.

<p><b>RECOMMENDATIONS</b></p> <p>That the offices of Chairs and Vice Chairs be allocated, as detailed in the Appendix to the report.</p>
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**Background**

- 4 For the forthcoming Municipal Year there is an expectation that the Chairs and Vice Chairs of each of the Council's decision-making bodies be allocated by Council.

- 5 The Appendix to the report details the councillors who are proposed to be appointed to the positions of Chair and Vice Chair.

## **Reasons for Recommendations**

- 6 To appoint the Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Council's committees.

## **Other Options Considered**

- 7 Whilst the Council could choose not to appoint Chairs and Vice Chairs to the Council's committees this would create an administrative burden for those committees, given that a person would have to be appointed at each meeting to preside.

## **Implications and Comments**

### *Monitoring Officer/Legal*

- 8 The Annual Meeting of the Council appoints the Council's decision-making committees. It also determines the allocations of Chairs and Vice Chairs of these bodies.
- 9 The appointment of the Chairs and Vice Chairs of Committee can only be made by full Council in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

### *Section 151 Officer/Finance*

- 10 Some of the listed Chairs and Vice Chairs attract a Special Responsibility Allowance, in accordance with the Council's Members' Allowances Scheme.

### *Policy*

- 11 There are no direct implications for policy.

### **Commitment 3: An effective and enabling council**

effective and responsive governance, compliance and evidence-based decision making

### *Equality, Diversity and Inclusion*

- 12 There are no direct implications.

### *Human Resources*

- 13 There are no direct implications for Human Resources.

### *Risk Management*

- 14 Failure to comply with the requirements of the Constitution would leave the Council open to legal challenge.

### *Rural Communities*

- 15 There are no direct implications for rural communities.

### *Children and Young People including Cared for Children, care leavers and Children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)*

- 16 There are no direct implications for children and young people.

### *Public Health*

- 17 There are no direct implications for public health.

### *Climate Change*

- 18 There are no implications for climate change.

<b>Access to Information</b>	
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Appendices:	Appendix – Chairs and Vice Chairs
Background Papers:	None