CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

COUNCIL

Date of Meeting:27 May 2015Report of:Head of Governance and Democratic ServicesSubject/Title:Appointments of Members to Committees

1.0 Report Summary

1.1 To review the memberships of the Council's decision-making bodies.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 That the nominations made by the Group Leaders, to be circulated at the meeting, to the bodies listed in Appendix 1 of the previous agenda item be noted and agreed.
- 2.2 That the Committees set out in Appendix 1 to this report, to be tabled at the meeting, be approved.

3.0 Reason for Recommendations

3.1 To review the memberships of the Council's decision-making and other bodies and their appointment.

4.0 Legal Implications

- 4.1 The previous report on the agenda dealt with the requirements of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, in respect of the political group representation on the Authority's committees.
- 4.2 The Annual Meeting of Council is responsible for approving the Council's decision-making structures and the number of seats to be allocated on each body.
- 4.3 The 1990 Regulations require political Group Leaders to notify the Proper Officer of the Group's nominations to the bodies in question.

5.0 Risk Assessment

5.1 Failure to comply with the Act and Regulations would leave the Council open to legal challenge.

6.0 Appointments to Committees under the Council's Political Structure for the Municipal Year 2015/16

- 6.1 The Annual Meeting of Council is responsible for approving the Council's decision-making structures and the number of seats to be allocated to each body.
- 6.2 The 1990 Regulations require political Group Leaders to notify the Proper Officer of the Group's nominations, or any changes to their nominations, to the bodies in question. The Political Groups have therefore been invited to review their nominations. If possible a schedule of the proposed memberships will be published before the meeting, or alternatively the nominations will be circulated at the meeting.

7.0 Access to Information

The background papers relating to this report can be inspected by contacting the report writer.

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