

Meeting:	Council
Meeting date:	15 July 2016
Title of report:	Appointment of Chairmen of Committees
Report by:	Monitoring officer

Classification

Open

Key Decision

This is not an executive decision.

Wards Affected

Countywide

Purpose

To exercise powers reserved to Council to appoint chairmen of committees.

Recommendation(s)

THAT Council:

- a) **appoint a chairman of the Audit and Governance Committee; and;**
- b) **confirm Councillor PM Morgan, being Cabinet Member Health and Wellbeing, as the chairman of the Health and Wellbeing Board**

Alternative options

- 1 Council could decide not to appoint a chairman of the Audit and Governance Committee. in this event the vice-chairman would take the chair for remaining meetings during the municipal year.
- 2 The terms of reference of the Health and Wellbeing Board, as approved by Council, state that the chairmanship of the board should be held by either the cabinet member, health and wellbeing, or the cabinet member young people and children's wellbeing.

Reasons for recommendations

- 2 To fill a vacancy in the appointments made by Council in May 2016. The appointment of chairmen and vice-chairmen of committees is reserved to Council under the council's Constitution.

Key considerations

- 3 In May 2016 Council considered appointments to committees. It also elected chairmen and vice-chairmen of those committees. The position of chairman of the Audit and Governance Committee has been vacated with effect from 15 July 2016 and a replacement appointment is sought.
- 4 When appointments were made in May to the positions of chairman and vice-chairman of committees, the position of Chairman of the Health & Wellbeing Board was inadvertently omitted from the report to annual council.

Community impact

- 5 There are no implications.

Equality duty

- 6 There are no implications.

Financial implications

- 7 Budgets are in place to cover allowances for any appointment made.

Legal implications

- 8 The constitution reserves to council the function of appointing chairman of committees.

Risk management

- 9 Failure to appoint to chairmanships carries minimal risk of challenge; the recommendations in this report mitigate that risk.

Consultees

- 10 None

Appendices

None

Background papers

- None identified.