Committee: Council

Date: 3 April 2019

Subject: Changes to Membership of Committees and related matters

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Recommendations:

1. That the Council notes the changes to the membership of Committees that were approved under delegated authority since the last meeting of the Council.

2. To appoint Councillor Ed Gretton as Vice-Chair of the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Panel.

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1. This report asks Council to note the changes made to committee membership under delegated authority since the publication of the agenda for the last ordinary Council meeting on 6 February 2019

2 DETAILS

2.1. The following membership changes have been made by the Chief Executive under his delegated authority in accordance with section 1.4 of part 3F of the Constitution:

Committee	Member resigning	Replaced by	Date
Planning Applications Committee	Laxmi Attawar	John Dehaney	1 February 2019
Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Panel	Ed Gretton	Nigel Benbow	11 February 2019
Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Panel	Nigel Benbow	Ed Gretton	18 February 2019
Planning Applications Committee	John Dehaney	Laxmi Attawar	5 March 2019
Standards and General Purposes Committee	Joan Henry	Mark Kenny	8 March 2019
Standards and General Purposes Committee	Pauline Cowper	Rebecca Lanning	12 March 2019
Standards and General Purposes Committee	Rebecca Lanning	Pauline Cowper	20 March 2019
Standards and General Purposes Committee	Mark Kenny	Joan Henry	20 March 2019

2.2 The appointments to Committees and other bodies, including the appointment of Chairs and Vice-Chairs of those committees and other bodies, were agreed at Council on 23 May 2018.

3 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN OR PROPOSED

3.1 None for the purposes of this report.

4 FINANCIAL, RESOURCE AND PROPERTY IMPLICATIONS

4.1. None for the purposes of this report.

5 LEGAL AND STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1. The information regarding membership changes in this report complies with legal and statutory requirements. Council is required to accept nominations made by political groups.
- 5.2. The Housing and Local Government Act 1989 contains provisions relating to the political balance on committees, the duty to allocate seats to political groups and the duty to give effect to allocations.
- 5.3. The Council has a statutory duty to review the representations of different political groups on the Council in order to ensure that a political balance is secured on council committees so as to reflect the overall political composition of the council.
- 5.4. The requirement to allocate seats must be made in accordance with the following statutory principles:
 - a) All of the seats are not to be allocated to the same political group.
 - b) The majority of the seats must be allocated to the political group with a majority on the Council.
 - c) Subject to the two principles listed above, the number of seats on the total of all the ordinary committees of the Council allocated to each political group must bear the same proportion to that on full Council.

6 HUMAN RIGHTS, EQUALITIES AND COMMUNITY COHESION IMPLICATIONS

6.1. None for the purposes of this report.

7 CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS

7.1. None for the purposes of this report.

8 RISK MANAGEMENT AND HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

8.1. N/A

9 APPENDICES – THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS ARE TO BE PUBLISHED WITH THIS REPORT AND FORM PART OF THE REPORT

9.1 None.

10 BACKGROUND PAPERS

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changes agreed under delegated authority.

