



Doncaster Council

Report

Date: 24th September, 2020

To the Chair and Members of the COUNCIL

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRS AND VICE-CHAIRS OF COMMITTEES AND SUB-COMMITTEES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. This report seeks nominations for the appointment of Members to serve as Chairs and Vice-Chairs on Committees and Sub-Committees, as attached at Appendix A to the report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

2. That the Council determines the appointment of Chairs and Vice-Chairs of Committees and Sub-Committees of the Council, listed at Appendix A to the report.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR THE CITIZENS OF DONCASTER?

3. The Council has a legal requirement to appoint a Chair to all of its Committees. By appointing Chairs and Vice-Chairs to Committees and Panels, the Council satisfies this requirement and citizens will know who Chair's these meetings.

BACKGROUND

4. At the Annual Meeting of Council, appointments are made to the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair of Committees and Sub-Committees of the Council, including Overview and Scrutiny Panels, for the ensuing Municipal Year. A number of these positions attract a special responsibility allowance detailed in the Member Allowance Scheme, as set out within Part 6 of the Council's Constitution.
5. It should be noted that in line with best practice, Council has previously endorsed the principle that the Health and Wellbeing Board should be Chaired by the Portfolio Holder responsible for Adult Social Care or the Portfolio Holder responsible for Public Health. This is reflected in the table at Appendix A.

6. Members are also asked to note that in accordance with Rule 3 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, as detailed in the Constitution, Council should ensure that not all Chairs and Vice-Chairs are drawn from the same political party. This is in line with current best practice which seeks to ensure that Members outside the majority group, have an opportunity to help shape and influence the strategic Overview and Scrutiny agenda.

OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDED OPTION

7. The appointment of Chairs and Vice-Chairs to Committees and Sub-Committees of the Council, is a statutory requirement. Therefore, no other options are considered relevant or appropriate.

IMPACT ON THE COUNCIL'S KEY OUTCOMES

8. This report has no direct impact on the Council's Key Outcomes.

RISKS AND ASSUMPTIONS

9. There are no identified risks or assumptions relevant to this report.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials SRF Date 21.08.20]

10. There are no specific legal implications associated with this report.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials PH Date 19.08.20]

11. The Members' Allowances Scheme makes provision for Special Responsibility Allowances to be paid to some Chair and Vice-Chair positions on Committees and Sub-Committees.

HUMAN RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials RH Date 24.08.20]

12. There are no HR implications associated with the contents of this report.

TECHNOLOGY IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials AM Date 19.08.20]

13. There are no specific technology implications in relation to this report. Governance and Members Services will be responsible for updating the changes in the modern.gov system, when agreed.

HEALTH IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials RS Date 20.08.20]

14. There are no direct health implications from this report. However, the individual Committees all contribute to improving the health and wellbeing of Doncaster people and reducing health inequalities. Committee Members can seek further advice from the Director of Public Health if required.

EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS [Officer Initials DMT Date 03.08.20]

15. There are no specific equality implications arising from this report.

CONSULTATION

16. Consultation has taken place with Group Leaders in respect of the proportional allocation of seats and the appointment of Chairs and Vice-Chairs on Committees and Sub-Committees, prior to this meeting taking place.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Council Constitution.

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APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRS & VICE-CHAIRS

	<u>CHAIR</u> (Nomination Required)	<u>VICE-CHAIR</u> (Nomination Required)
Overview & Scrutiny Management Committee		
Communities & Environment Overview & Scrutiny Panel		
Regeneration & Housing Overview & Scrutiny Panel		
Children & Young People's Overview & Scrutiny Panel		
Health & Adult Social Care Overview & Scrutiny Panel		
Planning Committee		
Elections & Democratic Structures Committee		
Chief Officers' Appointments Committee		
Awards, Grants & Transport (Appeals) Committee		
Chief Officer Appeals Committee		
Audit Committee		
Employee Relations Disputes Resolution Committee		
Chief Officers Investigatory Sub-Committee		
Licensing Committee		
Health & Wellbeing Board	Portfolio Holder responsible for Adult Social Care or the Portfolio Holder responsible for Public Health	To be appointed at the first meeting of the Health & Wellbeing Board