

Report to the Council

Date: 30 July 2019

Subject: Appointments to Committees & Outside Organisations 2019/20

1. CABINET & CABINET COMMITTEES - LEADER APPOINTMENTS 2019/20

Recommending:

- (1) That the Council note the appointment of the Customer Services Portfolio Holder to membership of the Finance and Performance Management Cabinet Committee for 2019/20; and**
- (2) That the Council note the appointment of the Leader of the Council to membership of the Asset Management and Economic Development Cabinet Committee for 2019/20.**

Finance and Performance Management Cabinet Committee

- 1.1 At its meeting on 20 May 2019, the Council appointed the following members of the Cabinet to membership of the Finance and Performance Management Cabinet Committee for 2019/20:

Business Support Services Portfolio Holder (Chairman);
Leader of the Council;
Housing and Property Services Portfolio Holder; and
Planning Services Portfolio Holder.

- 1.2 Although appointments to Cabinet Committees generally vary between four and five members of the Cabinet, Article 7 (The Executive) of the Constitution requires that membership of the Finance and Performance Management Cabinet Committee comprise no less than five members of the Cabinet.
- 1.3 The Council is therefore requested to note the appointment of the Customer Services Portfolio Holder by the Leader of Council, an additional member of the Cabinet to membership of the Committee for 2019/20.

Asset Management and Economic Development Cabinet Committee

- 1.4 At its meeting on 20 May 2019, the Council appointed the following members of the Cabinet to membership of the Asset Management and Economic Development Cabinet Committee for 2019/20:

Commercial and Regulatory Services Portfolio Holder (Chairman);
Business Support Services Portfolio Holder;
Community and Partnership Services Portfolio Holder; and
Contracts and Technical Services Portfolio Holder.

- 1.5 Although appointments to Cabinet Committees generally vary between four and five members of the Cabinet, Article 7 (The Executive) of the Constitution does not require that membership of the Asset Management and Economic Development Cabinet Committee comprise a specific number of members of the Cabinet. However, the Committee has traditionally comprised five members in the past.
- 1.6 The Council is therefore requested to note the appointment of the Leader of Council as

an additional member of the Cabinet to membership of the Committee for 2019/20.

2. REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS (COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS)

Recommending:

- (1) That the Council appoint a representative to the Epping Forest Citizens Advice Bureau for the remainder of the 2019/20 municipal year;**
- (2) That the Council appoint a representative to the Grange Farm Managing Trust until 31 May 2023 or until their term of office ends;**
- (3) That the Council appoint a representative to Loughton Leisure Centre Liaison Group for the remainder of the 2019/20 municipal year;**
- (4) That the Council appoint a representative to Waltham Abbey Tourist Information Centre (Joint Management Committee) for the remainder of the 2019/20 municipal year; and**
- (5) That Councillor A. Lion be appointed to membership of the Epping Forest Local Highways Panel.**

2.1 At its meeting on 20 May 2019, the Council appointed a number of member representatives to external organisations for the 2019/20 municipal year. However, several appointments remained outstanding at that time and should be completed at this meeting.

2.2 As a result of concerns raised at the meeting on 20 May 2019 about the membership requirements of the Epping Forest Local Highways Panel, the Monitoring Officer has reviewed the terms of reference of the Panel and has confirmed that there is currently no requirement for the Council's appointments to be politically balanced.

2.3 The receipt of two further nominations for membership of the Panel was reported at the meeting on 20 May 2019, at which it was determined that if political balance was not required to be applied to such appointments, that Councillor A. Lion would be appointed to membership of the panel for 2019/20.

2.4 The appointment of members to external organisations carrying out Council regulatory or non-cabinet functions is a matter reserved to the Council. The Council is therefore requested to make appropriate appointments to external organisations for the remainder of the 2019/20 municipal year.

3. REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS (LEADER APPOINTMENTS)

Recommending:

- (1) That the Leader appoint a representative as the Council's deputy representative on the Epping Forest Community Safety Partnership, for the remainder of the 2019/20 municipal year; and**
- (2) That the Leader appoint a representative as the Council's representative on the Epping Forest Children's Partnership for the remainder of the 2019/20 municipal year.**

3.1 At its meeting on 20 May 2019, the Council noted the appointments by the Leader of the Council on a number of member representatives to external organisations for the 2019/20 municipal year. However, several appointments remained outstanding at that time.

- 3.2 The appointment of members to external organisations carrying out executive functions is a matter reserved to the Leader of the Council. The Council is therefore requested to note the appointments made by the Leader of the Council to external organisations for the remainder of the 2019/20 municipal year.