

# **DECISION ITEM**

| REPORT OF                        | MEETING | DATE            | ITEM<br>NO |  |
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| RESOURCES DIRECTORATE            | COUNCIL | 4 DECEMBER 2017 | 8          |  |
| COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP NOMINATIONS |         |                 |            |  |

#### **PUBLIC ITEM**

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

#### **SUMMARY**

The Independent Group have requested changes to committee membership as follows:

That Councillor Roger Lloyd replace Councillor Julie Brickles on the Tourism and Leisure Committee.

That Councillor Louis Rigby replace Councillor Roger Lloyd on Audit and Standards Committee.

It is also considered appropriate to deal with the vacancy for the Conservative seat on the Operational Management Committee following the resignation of Councillor Albert Pounder and the subsequent Staining and Weeton by-election that was held on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

The Conservative Group has also requested that Councillor Jayne Nixon be appointed to the Member Development Steering Group.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 1. To appoint Councillor Roger Lloyd as a member of the Tourism and Leisure Committee in place of Councillor Julie Brickles.
- 2. To appoint Councillor Louis Rigby as a member of the Audit and Standards Committee in place of Councillor Roger Lloyd.
- 3. To consider the appointment of a Conservative member to the vacancy on the Operational Management Committee.
- 4. To appoint Councillor Jayne Nixon to the Member Development Steering Group.

## **SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS**

The meeting of Council on 3 April 2017 allocated seats to the various committees in accordance with the rules of political balance.

| CORPORATE PRIORITIES  |  |  |
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| Spending your money in the most efficient way to achieve excellent services (Value for Money)       |  |  |
| Delivering the services that customers expect of an excellent council (Clean and Green)             |  |  |
| Working with all partners (Vibrant Economy)   |  |  |
| To make sure Fylde continues to be one of the most desirable places to live (A Great Place to Live) |  |  |
| Promoting Fylde as a great destination to visit (A Great Place to Visit)                            |  |  |

## **REPORT**

- 1. Under the rules of political balance, three seats on the Tourism and Leisure Committee and the Audit and Standards Committee are allocated to the Independent Group.
- 2. At present, one seat on the Tourism and Leisure Committee is allocated to Councillor Julie Brickles. The group has asked that Councillor Brickles be replaced by Councillor Roger Lloyd.
- 3. At present, one seat on the Audit and Standards Committee is allocated to Councillor Roger Lloyd. The group has asked that Councillor Lloyd be replaced by Councillor Louis Rigby.
- 4. The Council is obliged to accept the nominations of the group and accordingly is asked to appoint Councillor Lloyd to the Tourism and Leisure Committee in place of Councillor Julie Brickles and Councillor Rigby to the Audit and Standards Committee in place of Councillor Roger Lloyd.
- 5. Following the Staining and Weeton borough by-election, held on 16<sup>th</sup> November 2017, the political balance of the council remains unchanged.
- 6. Former Councillor Albert Pounder was a member of the Operational Management Committee at the time of his resignation. Since his resignation there has been a vacancy on the committee.
- 7. Under the rules of political balance, seven seats on the council's Operational Management Committee are allocated to the Conservative Group.
- 8. The Member Development Steering Group is not a committee, but it is convenient to deal with appointments to it in this report. It is suggested that the membership be increased from 8 members to 9 members to allow for greater flexibility in its work. The Conservative Group has asked that Councillor Jayne Nixon be appointed to this Group.

| IMPLICATIONS                            |  |  |  |  |
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| Finance                                 | None arising directly from this report |  |  |  |
| Legal                                   | None arising directly from this report |  |  |  |
| Community Safety                        | None arising directly from this report |  |  |  |
| Human Rights and Equalities             | None arising directly from this report |  |  |  |
| Sustainability and Environmental Impact | None arising directly from this report |  |  |  |
| Health & Safety and Risk Management     | None arising from directly this report |  |  |  |

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| BACKGROUND PAPERS |              |                                |
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| Name of document  | Date         | Where available for inspection |
| Council minutes   | 3 April 2017 | Town Hall and Website          |