

Annual Meeting of the Council

23rd May 2015

APPOINTMENT TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Relevant Portfolio Holder	N/A
Portfolio Holder Consulted	Yes
Relevant Head of Service	Claire Felton, Head of Legal, Equalities and Democratic Services
Ward(s) Affected	All
Ward Councillor(s) Consulted	N/A
Key Decision / Non-Key Decision	Non key

1. SUMMARY OF PROPOSALS

- 1.1 This report sets out proposed appointments to outside bodies and seeks nominations accordingly.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Council makes appointments to the bodies listed in the appendix to the report.

3. KEY ISSUES

Financial Implications

- 3.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

Legal Implications

- 3.2 No specific legislation governs the appointment or nomination of members to outside bodies by the Council. Depending on the nature of the relationship the Council has with the organisation, the legal status of the organisation, its corporate, charity or other status and its constitution, there are differing legal implications for the members sitting on these bodies.
- 3.3 The Local Authorities (Indemnities for Members and Officers) Order 2004 governs the Council's ability to indemnify members sitting on outside bodies

Service / Operational Implications

- 3.4 A number of bodies ask the Council to make appointments to them for terms of office which vary from one year upwards.

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- 3.5 Some of these appointments, usually to national or regional bodies, are usually made by office. Where there are specific requirements for appointments these are shown against the organisations in the appendix.
- 3.6 There are some new organisations on the list this year as follows:
- (a) Various appointments associated with the commencement of the West Midlands Combined Authority. Whilst the Borough Council is a non-constituent member, it has places on the Board, Audit Committee and Overview and Scrutiny Committee;
 - (b) Citizens Advice Bureau Bromsgrove and Redditch – the Council has agreed a grant of £75k to the CAB for 2016-17 to support providing financial, debt and problem solving advice to residents. As part of the agreement supporting this, the Bureau has requested that the Council appoints a representative to its Trustee Board.

Customer / Equalities and Diversity Implications

- 3.7 There are no specific customer or equalities implications arising from this report.

4. RISK MANAGEMENT

- 4.1 There would be risks arising if the Council failed to make appointments to the Outside Bodies listed in this report; the nature of the risk would vary depending on the type of body in question. The Council needs to participate in certain Outside Bodies to ensure that existing governance arrangements can be complied with. On other bodies the risk would be less severe but non-participation would detract from the Councils ability to shape and influence policies and activities which affect the residents of Redditch.

5. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 - list of Outside bodies.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Details of the various organisations referred to are held by Democratic Services. A protocol for appointments to outside bodies, part 27 of the constitution, gives advice for councillors appointed.

<http://svmodern.gov:9070/ieListMeetings.aspx?CIId=379&Year=0>

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