Manchester Council Report for Resolution

Report to: Constitutional and Nomination Committee – 3 June 2014

Subject: Appointments to joint authorities and joint committees

Report of: The City Solicitor

Purpose of Report

This report provides information about the Council's current appointments to the joint authorities and joint committees. The Committee is invited to review the appointments and make recommendations to Council about the Council's representatives for the 2014/15 municipal year. The report also asks the Committee to make recommendations to the joint authorities about the appointment of spokespersons to answer questions at Council meetings as outlined in Council Procedural Rule 24 (part 4, section A of the Constitution).

Recommendations

- 1. To review appointments to serve on the Combined Authority and several joint authorities and to recommend the appointment of the Council's representatives for the 2014/15 municipal year.
- 2. To recommend to the joint authorities the appointment of spokespersons to answer questions about the work of the joint authorities at meetings of the Council as outlined in Council Procedural Rule 24.
- 3. To recommend to Council the appointment of members to the Transport for Greater Manchester Committee, AGMA Executive Board, AGMA Joint Scrutiny Pool, AGMA Statutory Functions Committee, Pennine Acute Hospital Trust Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Manchester and Trafford Joint Health Scrutiny Committee and the Police and Crime Panel.
- 4. To recommend to Council the appointment of members to the School Forum and the Manchester Port Health Authority.

Wards Affected All

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Background Documents

1. Sections 15-17 Local Government and Housing Act 1989

- 2. Section 41 Local Government Act, 1985
- 3. Minutes of the Constitutional and Nomination Committee 2007/2008
- 4. Council Procedure Rules in the Constitution
- 5. The Local Government (Committee and Political Groups) Regulations 1989
- 6. The Health and Social Care Act 2012

1. Introduction

The Constitutional and Nomination Committee is asked to review the appointments to joint authorities and joint committees and to make recommendations to Council about the Council's representatives for the 2014/15 municipal year. The report also asks the Committee to make recommendations to the joint authorities about the appointment of spokespersons to answer questions at Council meetings as outlined in Council Procedural Rule 24 (part 4, section A of the Constitution).

The joint authorities and joint committees and the number of seats are listed below. Sections 2-5 details the current appointments, which the Committee is asked to review.

Joint Authorities

Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Authority 5 seats
Greater Manchester Waste Disposal Authority 3 seats

Greater Manchester Combined Authority 1 seat (1 substitute)

Joint committees

Transport for Greater Manchester Committee - 5 seats

AGMA Executive Board – 1 seat (2 substitutes)

AGMA Joint Scrutiny Pool - 3 seats

AGMA Statutory Functions Committee - 1 seat (1 substitute)

Interim Greater Manchester Health and Wellbeing Board - 1 seat (relevant Executive Member)

Greater Manchester Police and Crime Panel - 1 seat

Pennine Acute Hospital Trust Joint Scrutiny Committee - 3 seats

Manchester and Trafford Joint Health Scrutiny Committee - 5 seats (1 substitute)

Other Bodies

Schools Forum – 1 seat Manchester Port Health Authority - 3 seats

2. Appointments to Joint authorities

The Committee is invited to make recommendations to Council about the appointment of members to joint authorities for the 2014/15 municipal year. The present appointments to the joint authorities are as follows:

Fire and Rescue Authority (5 seats)

The following members are currently appointed:
Councillors Curley, Fletcher-Hackwood, Judge, S Newman and vacancy

Waste Disposal Authority (3 seats)

The following members are currently appointed: Councillors N. Murphy, Swannick and vacancy

Combined Authority (1 seat)

Councillor Leese is currently appointed with the Deputy Leader as substitute.

3. Appointment of Council Spokesperson

The Constitutional and Nomination Committee is requested to make recommendations to the relevant joint authority about the appointment of spokespersons to answer questions about the work of the joint authorities at meetings of the Council as outlined in Council Procedural Rule 24.

The current spokespersons are as follows:

Fire and Rescue Authority - Councillor Judge Waste Disposal Authority - Councillor Swannick Combined Authority - Councillor Leese

4. Appointment to Joint Committees

The Committee is invited to make recommendations to Council about the appointment of members to joint committees for the 2014/15 municipal year. The terms of reference and membership appointment for the Greater Manchester Joint Health Scrutiny Committee are to be considered as part of a separate report on the agenda. The present appointments for all other joint committees are as follows:

Transport for Greater Manchester Committee (5 members)

The following members are currently appointed: Councillors Fender, Paul, Rawlins, and 2 vacancies

AGMA Executive Board (1 member, 2 substitutes)

Currently Councillor Leese, with B Priest and S Murphy as substitutes.

AGMA Joint Scrutiny Pool (3 members)

Under the agreed AGMA protocol both sexes should be represented in the appointments. The following members are currently appointed: Councillor Green and 2 vacancies

AGMA Statutory Functions Committee (1 member and substitute)

Both of these appointments are currently vacant.

Police and Crime Panel (1 member)

The current member is Councillor Leese.

Pennine Acute Hospital Trust Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee (3 members)

The following members are currently appointed:

Councillors Davies, Hackett and Lyons

Manchester and Trafford Joint Health Scrutiny Committee (5 members, 1 substitute)

The following members are currently appointed:

Councillors Cooley, Ellison, E Newman and Watson. and1 vacancy

5. Appointments to Other Bodies

Schools Forum

There is currently one member appointed which is Councillor Stone.

Manchester Port Health Authority

The members currently appointed are: Councillors Barrett, Royle, Trotman and one vacancy.