

Constitutional and Nomination Committee Minutes of the meeting held on 18 November 2015

Present: Councillor Karney - In the Chair
Councillors Flanagan, Lanchbury, S. Murphy, Reeves and Stogia

Apologies: Councillors Leese and Priest

CN/15/09 Minutes

Decision

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 23 September 2015.

CN/15/010 Polling Districts and Polling Places: proposed changes to the current scheme

The Committee considered a report of the Chief Executive which discussed proposed changes to the current scheme of polling places for three polling districts in Hulme, Gorton North and Moston wards.

Decision

1. To approve the changes to the current scheme set out in Appendix 1 of the report.
2. To adopt the changes to the scheme for both parliamentary and local elections.

Membership of Committees 2015/16, appointment of Chairs and members of Committees

Decision

1. To request the Council to agree to suspend Procedural Rule 25.1 to allow the following decisions which involve reconsideration of a decision taken by the Council within the previous six months.
2. To recommend the Council to make the following changes in appointments to Committees and Joint Committees of the Council*

Committee	Member removed	Member appointed
Audit Committee	Councillor Azra Ali	-
Licensing Policy Committee	-	Councillor Dar Councillor Evans

Committee	Member removed	Member appointed
		Councillor Grimshaw
Trafford Borough Council and Manchester City Council Joint Health Scrutiny Committee	Councillor Teubler	Councillor Craig
Communities Scrutiny Committee	Councillor Cooley	Councillor Monaghan
Finance Scrutiny Committee	-	Councillor Cooley

3. To recommend that Council appoints the following Lead Member:

Councillor Sarah Judge – Lead Member for Women

4. To recommend that the Council appoints the following members to the following non-executive bodies for the remainder of the municipal year.

Body	Member removed	Member appointed
Chethams School of Music Board of Governors	Councillor Peel	Councillor Davies
AGMA Joint Statutory Services Committee	-	Councillor Stone as Deputy to Councillor Cox
Transport for Greater Manchester	Councillor Teubler	Councillor Azra Ali

CN/15/011 Appointment of Independent Person for Consideration of Complaints against members and Appointment of Independent members of the Council’s Standard Committee.

The Committee considered a report of the City Solicitor which invited the Committee to recommend that Council appoints two Independent Members to the Council’s Standards Committee, one of whom would be appointed as Chair. The report also proposed that the length of term for the Independent Person is extended for a further four years with effect from 18 November 2015 and that second Independent Person is appointed also for a period of four years with effect from the same date.

Decision

To recommend that Council:

- i. extends the Alan Eastwood's term of office as an Independent Person for four years commencing on 18 November 2015
- ii. appoints Sarah Beswick to act as an Independent Person for a term of office of four years commencing on 18 November 2015
- iii. appoints Nicole Jackson to act as an Independent Members and Chair of the Council's Standards Committee for a term of office of four years commencing on 18 November 2015.
- iv. appoints Geoff Linnell to act as an Independent Member of the Council's Standards Committee for a term of office of four years starting on 18 November 2015.

CN/15/012 Co-opted Member of the Young People and Children Scrutiny Committee

Decision

To recommend that Council appoints Ms June Gudgeon as Teacher Representative for the Primary Sector to serve on the Young People and Children Scrutiny Committee for a period of two years with effect from 1 December 2015.

CN/15/011 Co-opted Member of the Audit Committee.

The Committee was notified of a recommendation from the City Treasurer to appoint Dr David Barker as a co-opted member of the Audit Committee. This recommendation had been endorsed by Councillor Lanchbury.

Decision

To recommend that Council appoints Dr David Barker as co-opted member of the Audit Committee.