

Constitutional and Nomination Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, 4 October 2023

Present:

Councillor Karney – in the Chair
Councillors Curley, Flanagan, Leech, Rahman and Richards

Apologies:

CN/23/20 Minutes

Decision

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 12 July 2023 as a correct record.

CN/23/21 Appointments and Changes to Council Committee Membership

The Committee considered the report of the City Solicitor providing information about the Council's current appointments to Council Committees. The Committee was invited to review the appointments and make recommendations to Council about the Council's representatives for the 2022/23 Municipal Year.

The following amendments were proposed:-

Committee	Member(s) to be added	Member(s) to be removed
Licensing Committee	Councillor Ludford	
Licensing and Appeals	Councillor Ludford	
Planning and Highways		Councillor Ludford
Audit		Councillor Stogia
Health		Councillor Stogia
Resources and Governance	Councillor Stogia	
Children and Young People	Councillor Marsh	

Decisions

The Committee recommend Council approve the amendments to committee appointments as follows:-

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CN/23/22 Review of Members' Allowances

The Committee considered a report of the City Solicitor informing the Committee of the recommendations of the Council's Independent Remuneration Panel (IRP) in relation to the remuneration of the members of the Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Decision

The Committee note the report and endorse the recommendations made to the Council.

CN/23/23 Appointment of an additional Independent Person for consideration of complaints against Members

The Committee considered a report of the City Solicitor to enable the Committee to consider the appointment of an additional Independent Person to assist the Council's Monitoring Officer in dealing with allegations that members of the Council have acted in breach of the Council's Code of Conduct.

A member referred to the appointment process and the checks made to the experience skills and other outside interests of applicants.

The Monitoring Officer reported that the appointment process considered the qualifications, skills and experience of the applicant and these were vetted by the appointment panel. The appointment panel consisted of the Monitoring Officer and the Assistant Director - Governance. No elected members are involved in the appointment process.

Decision

The Committee support the recommendation that the Council appoint William Goh as an Independent Person for period of four years starting 4 October 2023.