

BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

STANDARDS COMMITTEE

14TH AUGUST 2008

**COUNCIL DECISIONS - APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBERS AND
PARISH COUCIL REPRESENTATIVES TO THE STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

Responsible Portfolio Holder	Councillor Roger Smith
Responsible Head of Service	Claire Felton

1. SUMMARY

To inform the Committee of the decisions made by the Council in relation to the appointment of Independent Members and Parish Council Representatives to the Standards Committee.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the contents of the report be noted.

3. BACKGROUND

1. Appointment of Independent Members

- 3.1 At its meeting on 12th June 2008 the Standards Committee made a number of recommendations to the Council in relation to the appointment of Independent Members to the Standards Committee.
- 3.2 All of the recommendations put forward by the Committee were approved by the Council at its meeting on 16th July 2007. The Council also considered the term of office that should apply to Independent Members.

It was resolved:

- (a) that authority be delegated to the Monitoring Officer in consultation with the Chairman of the Standards Committee to compile a suitable recruitment pack for prospective Independent Members of the Standards Committee;
- (b) that authority be delegated to the Monitoring Officer in consultation with the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Standards Committee to undertake shortlisting of candidates for vacancies for Independent Members of the Standards Committee;

- (c) that in cases where there are two or more shortlisted candidates, that authority be delegated to the Appointments Panel to interview shortlisted candidates, with the assistance of the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Standards Committee who shall act in an advisory (but non-voting) capacity, and to make a recommendation to Council;
- (d) that the term of office of Independent Members shall be 4 years;
- (e) that Independent Members may seek reappointment only once;
- (f) that in cases where only one suitable candidate is shortlisted, the Monitoring Officer make a recommendation direct to the Council for that candidate to be appointed.

II. **Appointment of Parish Councils' Representatives to the Standards Committee**

3.3 At its meeting on the 16th July 2008 the Council considered the appointment of Parish Councils' Representatives to the Standards Committee.

It was resolved:

- (a) that Mr. J. Cypher and Mr. I. Hodgetts be appointed to serve as the Parish Councils' Representatives on the Standards Committee until July 2009; and
- (b) that Mr. S. Malek be appointed to serve as the Deputy Parish Councils' Representative on the Standards Committee until July 2009.

4. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

None.

5. **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

None.

6. **COUNCIL OBJECTIVES**

This report does not directly link with any of the Council's objectives.

7. **RISK MANAGEMENT**

There are no risks associated with this report.

8. CUSTOMER IMPLICATIONS

None.

9. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

None.

10. VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

None.

11. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

Procurement Issues	None
Personnel Implications	None
Governance/Performance Management	None
Community Safety including Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998	None
Policy	None
Environmental	None

11. OTHERS CONSULTED ON THE REPORT

Portfolio Holder	No
Chief Executive	No
Executive Director - Partnerships and Projects	No
Executive Director - Services	No
Assistant Chief Executive	No
Head of Service	No
Head of Financial Services	No
Head of Legal, Equalities & Democratic Services	No

Head of Organisational Development & HR	No
Corporate Procurement Team	No

12. APPENDICES

None.

13. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Minutes of the meeting of the Standards Committee held on 12th June 2008.

Agenda for the meeting of the Council held on 16th July 2008.

Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 16th July 2008.

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