

APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Relevant Portfolio Holder	Cllr Denaro
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 the details of vacancies in appointments to some outside bodies and seeks nominations to these.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that that the Council nominates to the following bodies:

- (a) Shared Services Board – 2 councillors;
- (b) West Mercia Police and Crime Panel – 1 councillor from the majority party;
- (c) Bromsgrove Arts Development Trust (Holding Trust) – 1 nominee for the remainder of the term of office until June 2019.

3. KEY ISSUES

Financial Implications

- 3.1 There are no financial implications arising directly 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.

3.5 There are vacancies in the following bodies:

- (a) Shared Services Board – this is a meeting held with representatives of Redditch Borough Council to review proposals for shared services. The next meeting is planned for 4th October and there are 2 Councillor vacancies outstanding since appointments were made in June 2016;
- (b) West Mercia Police and Crime Panel – there is 1 vacancy on the Panel following the resignation of Councillor Sherrey. The constitution of the Panel requires that the Council’s representatives are drawn from the controlling political group. The appointment is reviewed annually;
- (c) Bromsgrove Arts Development Trust – Councillor Denaro has resigned from this. The constitution of the Trust allows the Council’s nominee to be a councillor or a member of the public. The remaining term of office is until June 2019.

Customer / Equalities and Diversity Implications

3.6 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 Bromsgrove.

5. APPENDICES

None

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Terms of reference and governing documents of organisations are held by Democratic services

7. KEY

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