

Outside Body Appointments 2021/22 - Amendment

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Wards Affected	All
Ward Councillor(s) consulted	N/A
Relevant Strategic Purpose(s)	An Effective and Sustainable Council
Non-Key Decision	
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1. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that Cabinet considers the amendment to the nominated Outside Bodies, as detailed at Appendix 1, and that the Portfolio Holder for Strategic Housing and Health and Well Being, be approved as the Cabinet's representative on the Health Improvement Group (HIG).

2. **BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 At the Cabinet meeting held on 15th September 2021, the nominations and appointments to the Outside Bodies were approved. It has been noted that appointments to the Health Improvement Group (HIG – a sub group of the Worcestershire Health and Well Being Board), stated that there should be one representative for North Worcestershire.

Officers have since received confirmation from Worcestershire County Council, Public Health that the Membership required one representative from each of the six Districts in North Worcestershire.

The relevant Portfolio Holder is usually nominated onto this Outside Body.

3. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 3.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

4. **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 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.

- 4.2 The Local Authorities (Indemnities for Members and Officers) Order 2004 governs the Council's ability to indemnify members sitting on outside bodies.

5. STRATEGIC PURPOSES - IMPLICATIONS

Relevant Strategic Purpose

- 5.1 The action proposed in this report supports the strategic purpose "an effective and sustainable Council".
- 5.2 Cabinet reviews a number of outside body appointments on an annual basis to ensure that those bodies to which the Cabinet puts forward nominations continue to address the needs and aspirations of the District.

Climate Change Implications

- 5.3 There are no specific climate change implications.

6. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

Equalities and Diversity Implications

- 6.1 There are no specific equalities and diversity implications.

Operational Implications

- 6.2 A number of bodies ask the Council to make appointments to them for terms of office which vary from one year upwards.
- 6.3 The Council has previously agreed that a number of such appointments, usually to national or regional bodies, should be made by office. Where there are specific requirements for appointments these are shown against the organisations in the appendix.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

- 7.1 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 Council's ability to shape and influence policies and activities which affect the residents of Bromsgrove.

8. APPENDICES and BACKGROUND PAPERS

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Amended appointment to the Health Improvement Group (HIG) Outside Body.

Background Papers:

Terms of reference and governing documents of organisations are held by Democratic Services.

9. REPORT SIGN OFF

Department	Name and Job Title	Date
Portfolio Holder	Councillor Geoff Denaro	October 2021
Legal Services	Claire Felton, Head of Legal, Democratic and Property Services	November 2021