

Appointment of Members to Somerset Waste Board Informal Joint Scrutiny Panel

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The appointment of members to the Panel was discussed at the Scrutiny Committee meeting on 1 June 2017. At that meeting, Councillor Martin Wale tentatively volunteered to be a member on the Panel. As a number of councillors had been absent at the June meeting it was agreed to defer making the appointment of the second member and substitute until the next meeting (4 July 2017). Hence this report is back at Scrutiny Committee for further consideration.

Purpose of Report

The Somerset Waste Board was formed in October 2007. The board is a joint committee that comprises two Councillors from each of the six Somerset local authorities to manage and develop waste services across Somerset.

The purpose of this report is to appoint two representatives from SSDC Scrutiny Committee to the Somerset Waste Board Informal Joint Scrutiny Panel and one nominated substitute.

Action Required

Two members of SSDC's Scrutiny Committee and one nominated substitute are appointed to the Somerset Waste Board informal Joint Scrutiny Panel.

Background

The Somerset Waste Board informal Joint Scrutiny Panel was formed in 2011 with the intention of improving pre-decision scrutiny and facilitating wider engagement of elected members in the work of the Somerset Waste Board.

As an informal Joint Scrutiny Panel, any recommendations or actions proposed by the Panel will need to be endorsed by the Scrutiny functions of each partner authority. Working together informally should and provide a more effective mechanism for fulfilling the statutory scrutiny functions of local authorities.
