

Somerset West and Taunton Council

Annual Council – 24 May 2022

Appointments of Representatives on Outside Bodies

This matter is the responsibility of the Leader of the Council – Councillor Federica Smith-Roberts

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1 Executive Summary / Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 This report is to finalise the appointment of representatives to serve on outside bodies for the period to vesting day of the New Council in April 2023 (except where specific periods are stated, where appointment to those bodies has been delegated by the Council or is exercisable only by the Executive.)

2 Recommendations

Council resolves to;

- 2.1 Agree the Appointments of Representatives to Outside Bodies for 2022/2023 (attached as Appendix A).

3 Risk Assessment

- 3.1 The risk of the Council not finalising these appointments, could lead to the reputational damage to the Council and the dissolution of important links.

4 Background and Full details of the Report

- 4.1 The Appointments to Outside Bodies for the 2021/22 municipal year were last confirmed at Annual Council on 4 May 2021.
- 4.2 The Council Procedure Rules require the Annual Meeting to ‘make appointments to outside organisations, except where appointment to those bodies has been delegated by the Council or is exercisable only by the Executive. In an election year, such appointments may be deferred to the first Ordinary Meeting of the Council in the municipal year.’
- 4.3 This report updates the appointments for the 2022/23 Municipal Year (attached as Appendix A).

5 Links to Corporate Aims / Priorities

- 5.1 This report aligns with Strategic Theme 2 – A Council which informs and engages openly with our stakeholders and which consistently delivers excellent customer service.

5.2 Objective 5 states “Develop and deliver effective communications, consultation and engagement which listens to and engages with our residents and stakeholders and is central to the delivery of our services, strategies and plans.”

6 Finance / Resource Implications

6.1 N/A

7 Legal Implications

7.1 Councillors serving on Outside Bodies should pay heed to the advice document given at Appendix B which sets out Member Responsibilities and Potential Liabilities.

8 Climate and Sustainability Implications

8.1 N/A

9 Safeguarding and/or Community Safety Implications

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10 Equality and Diversity Implications

10.1 N/A

11 Social Value Implications

11.1 N/A

12 Partnership Implications

12.1 Implications arising from this are covered in the Guidance attached at Appendix B.

13 Health and Wellbeing Implications (if any)

13.1 N/A

14 Asset Management Implications

14.1 N/A

15 Data Protection Implications

15.1 N/A

16 Consultation Implications

16.1 Consultation to be undertaken with Group Leaders.

17 Scrutiny Comments / Recommendation(s)

17.1 Not relevant to this report.

Democratic Path:

- **Scrutiny / Corporate Governance or Audit Committees – No**
- **Cabinet/Executive – No**
- **Full Council – Yes**

Reporting Frequency: Annually**List of Appendices**

Appendix A	List of Appointments to Outside Bodies 22/23
Appendix B	Outside Bodies Guidance Document

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