

ANNUAL COUNCIL

17TH MAY 203

REPORT TITLE:	Appointment of a Deputy Mayor for Municipal Year 2023/2024	
REPORT OF:	Claire Mayhew, Corporate Manager (Democratic Services) & Deputy Monitoring Officer	

REPORT SUMMARY

The Council is required to appoint a Deputy Mayor from amongst its membership to serve for the Municipal Year 2023/2024.

The Deputy Mayor is appointed by the Council to continue in office for one Municipal Year and hold office until immediately after the election of the Mayor at the next Annual Meeting.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Members are asked to:

R1. To appoint a Deputy Mayor for the Municipal Year 2023/2024 and until immediately after the election of the Mayor at the next Annual Meeting.

SUPPORT ING INFORMATION

1.0 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

It is a statutory duty.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

Section 5 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires the appointment of a Deputy Mayor (being Vice-Chairman of the Council).

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Deputy Mayor will support the Mayor in their role during their term of office. Subject to any standing orders made by the Council, anything authorised or required to be done by, to or before the Mayor may be done by, to or before the Deputy Mayor.

The Mayor will invite nominations for the appointment of Deputy Mayor for the Municipal Year 2023/2024.

Once Annual Council has made the appointment of Deputy Mayor, the newly appointed Deputy Mayor duly takes the Declaration of Acceptance of Oath.

The Deputy Mayor is accompanied to events by a Deputy Mayoress/Escort or Consort. The Deputy Mayoress/Escort or Consort is recognised by the Council as such. A Deputy Mayoress/Escort or Consort will be announced.

After the Deputy Mayor's Mayoress/Escort or Consort has been announced, the outgoing Consort will invest the incoming Consort with the badge of office.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Name/Title: Tim Willis, Interim Director of Resources

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There are no direct financial implications arising from the appointment of a Deputy Mayor. For the purpose of enabling the Deputy Mayor to meet the expenses of their office, the Council may pay such allowance as the Council thinks fit. Agenda Item 13 deals with allowances.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Name & Title: Andrew Hunkin, Interim Director of People and Governance and Monitoring Officer

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The Council has a statutory duty to elect a Deputy Mayor annually from among its members. The election of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor must be the first business transacted at the Annual Meeting.

The process for electing the Deputy Mayor is set out in the Council's Constitution.

6.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

Group Leaders have been consulted.

7.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

Name/Title: Kim Anderson, Partnerships, Leisure & Funding Manager

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Section 149 of the Equality Act requires the Council to have due regard to the Public Sector Equality Duty when making decisions, strategic planning and when implementing policies that may impact on those who have protected characteristics. Listed Authorities must comply with the requirements under the Equality Act 2010 (Specific Duties) Regulations 2011 (the Regulations), to publish equality data and list specific equality objectives. These Regulations apply to the Council.

8.0 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

Name/Title: Phil Drane, Director of Place

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There are no direct economic implications

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APPENDICES

None

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

18.5.2022 19.5.2021 15.5.2019