

# **COUNCIL BUSINESS COMMITTEE**

## **URGENT BUSINESS BETWEEN MEETINGS: Change to the Single Purpose Standards Committee Membership**

**7 March 2019**

### **Report of the Democratic Services Manager**

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To advise Members of decisions taken by the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Chairman of Council Business Committee.

**This report is public**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

**That the decisions taken by the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Chairman of Council Business Committee, in accordance with the Urgent Business Procedure Rules, in respect of the following, be noted:-**

- (1) That Councillors Blamire and Rivet be taken off the Single Purpose Standards Committee established at Council on 19 December 2018.**
- (2) That Councillors Hanson and Metcalfe be appointed to the Single Purpose Standards Committee established at Council on 19 December 2018.**

#### **1.0 Background**

- 1.1 Councillors Blamire and Rivet were appointed, amongst other Members, to the Single Purpose Standards Committee at Council on 19 December 2018.

#### **2.0 Proposal**

- 2.1 Due to prior commitments Councillor Rivet was unable to attend the Committee meeting on 11 January 2019. After the Council meeting, it was pointed out that, as Leader of the Council, Councillor Blamire should not have been appointed to a Standards Committee (it would contravene paragraph 7,02 of Article 7 in the Council's Constitution). The Labour Group therefore requested that Councillors Hanson and Metcalfe be appointed to the two Labour seats on the Single Purpose Standards Committee, in place of Councillors Rivet and Blamire.

### 3.0 Consultation

- 3.1 Since the meeting was to take place on 11 January 2019, the change to membership could not be dealt with at a Council meeting, or by this Committee. The decision was therefore made on 2 January 2019 by the Chief Executive, in consultation with Councillor Reynolds, as per the Council's urgent business procedures.

### 4.0 Conclusion

- 4.1 Members are asked to note the urgent decisions taken on 2 January 2019, which is being reported to the Committee at the earliest opportunity, as required by the Constitution.

<b>CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT</b> (including Health & Safety, Equality & Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, Sustainability and Rural Proofing) None.	
<b>LEGAL IMPLICATIONS</b> None.	
<b>FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS</b> None.	
<b>OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS</b>  <b>Human Resources:</b> None.  <b>Information Services:</b> None.  <b>Property:</b> None.  <b>Open Spaces:</b> None.	
<b>SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS</b> The Section 151 Officer has no comments.	
<b>MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS</b> The Monitoring Officer has no comments.	
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