



<u>Central Dudley Area Committee - 4th November, 2009</u>

Membership of Capital Allocations Working Group

Report of the Area Liaison Officer

Purpose of Report

1. To consider the inclusion of Councillor M Davis as a Member of the Capital Allocations Working Group of the Committee for the remainder of the current municipal year.

Background

- 2. The Capital Allocations Working Group has been in existence since 2000 and its principal role has been to consider all applications for funding from the Committee's Capital Allocations Budget and to make recommendations thereon to the full Committee for consideration and determination. The Working Group was duly appointed for 2009/10 at the meeting of the Committee held on 9th June, 2009.
- 3. The composition of the Working Group has varied since its inception and was set up this year comprising the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Committee and one Member from each of the five electoral wards comprising the area of the Committee. The representation of one Member from each ward followed the practice of the Committee in that regard effected from 2007/08.
- 4. While he was not the appointee for the St. James' Ward, Councillor M Davis served on the Working Group in 2008/09 as an additional Member. He was not so appointed at 2009/10 at the meeting of the Committee held on 9th June 2009, but his omission was inadvertent, with no intention that he should not serve, and the Chairman would support his reinstatement.

Finance

5. There are no direct financial implications arising from the recommendation in this report.

Law

6. Working Groups do not have the status of formal Committees and the rules of proportionality which relate to seats on Committees under Section 18 of the Local

Government and Housing Act, 1989 and the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations, 1990 are not applicable.

Equality Impact

7. This report complies fully with the Council's Policies on equality and diversity. Children and young people have not been involved in the composition of the report.

Recommendation

8. That Councillor M Davis be added to the Membership of the Capital Allocations Working Group of the Committee for the remainder of the current municipal year.



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List of Background Papers

Minute 11 of the meeting of the Central Dudley Area Committee held on 9th June, 2009.