<u>DUDLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL</u>

NORTH DUDLEY AREA COMMITTEE - 29th JUNE 2006

APPOINTMENT OF WORKING GROUPS

REPORT OF THE AREA LIAISON OFFICER

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 To consider the appointment of Working Groups of the Committee for the ensuing municipal year.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Committee is asked to determine the Working Groups it wishes to appoint in the 2005/06 municipal year, together with the composition and membership of each Working Group
- 2.2 The Working Groups below were appointed in the 2004/05 municipal year for the purposes indicated and with the composition and membership shown:

<u>Community Plan Working Group</u> – to progress the production of a local Community Plan for the area of the North Dudley Area Committee. <u>Composition</u>: 4 members of the Conservative Group, one member of the Labour Group, together with any other member of the North Dudley Area Committee wishing to attend.

Members appointed in the 2004/2005 Municipal Year were as follows:

Councillors, Mrs Ameson, Davies, Evans, Ryder and Wright

<u>Capital Allocations Working Group</u> – to consider proposals for the deployment of the delegated capital budget allocation and to make recommendations thereon to the North Dudley Area Committee. <u>Composition</u>: 3 members of the Conservative Group, 2 members of the Labour Group, together with any other member of the North Dudley Area Committee wishing to attend.

Members appointed in the 2004/2005 Municipal Year were as follows:

Councillors Mrs Ameson, Davies, Mrs Ridney, Simms and Stanley

North Dudley Area Anti-Social Behaviour Working Group/Skatepark Working Group – to progress the provision of a skatepark facility for the youth of the area covered by the Committee and to address issues relating to anti-social behaviour.

All Members of the Committee were appointed to serve on the Anti-Social Behaviour Working Group during 2004/2005.

3.0 PROPOSALS

3.1 That the Committee determine the Working Groups to be appointed for the 2005/06 municipal year and the composition and membership of each Working Group so appointed.

4.0 FINANCE

4.1 The proposals contained in item 3.1 above (the setting up of the working parties) will not incur a cost to the budget.

5.0 <u>LAW</u>

5.1 Since Working Groups do not have the status of formal Committees, 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.

6.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

The proposals take into account the Council's equal opportunities policies.

7.0 RECOMMENDATION

7.1 That the proposals contained in paragraph 3.0 above be approved.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 The Council's Constitution.

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