

# Stourbridge Area Committee - 10th March 2008

## **Report of the Area Liaison Officer**

## **Co-opted Members**

## **Purpose of Report**

1. To consider the appointment of a co-opted member to represent young people.

### **Background**

- 2. As members are aware, we have not been able to appoint a co-opted member to represent young people in the current municipal year. However, as indicated at the last meeting, Ryan Nokes is willing to be co-opted for the remainder of this year and for 2008/9. However, in view of his academic studies, Ryan is unlikely to be free to attend every meeting of the Committee and has asked if he could arrange a substitute as necessary.
- 3. Ryan will be introduced at the meeting and he will provide members with relevant background information.

#### **Finance**

4. Co-opted members are entitled to receive travelling and subsistence allowances in accordance with Section 174 of the Local Government Act 1972 and a Financial Loss Allowance in accordance with Section 173(4) of that Act.

### Law

5. Section 102(3) of the Local Government Act 1972, enables the Committee to appoint co-opted members.

### **Equality Impact**

6. This report complies fully with the Council's policies on equality and diversity. The appointment of a co-opted member to represent young people is a recognition by the Committee of the importance of including young people in its work.

## **Recommendation**

7. It is recommended that Ryan Nokes (or his nominee) be appointed as a co-opted member to represent young people for the remainder of this municipal year and for 2008/9.

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## **List of Background Papers**

1. Internal e-mails regarding the appointment of a co-opted member