ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL – 19TH MAY, 2005

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE CABINET

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF LAW AND PROPERTY

1.0 <u>PURPOSE OF REPORT</u>

1.1 To approve the number of members to be appointed to the Cabinet and to appoint the members to serve for the 2005/06 municipal year.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Article 7 of the Council's Constitution prescribes that the Cabinet will consist of the Leader together with at least two, but not more than nine, councillors appointed to the Cabinet by the Council. The proposals of the Majority Group with regard to this matter will be made at the meeting.
- 2.2 The Council is reminded that the Cabinet Procedure Rules provide that each of the other political groups on the Council may nominate members from their Group to attend meetings of the Cabinet. Such members may speak at the meeting, but may not vote. The number of members nominated by each Group are appointed in accordance with proportionality. These nominations will be made through the Director of Law and Property.

3.0 PROPOSALS

3.1 That the number of members to be appointed to the Cabinet for the 2005/06 municipal year, and the members to serve for the year, be approved in accordance with the attached list.

4.0 FINANCE

- 4.1 The financial implications arising from the above proposals will be met from existing resources.
- 5.0 <u>LAW</u>
- 5.1 The relevant statutory provisions regarding the Constitution and arrangements with respect to executives are contained in Part II of the Local Government Act, 2000, together with Regulations, Orders and Statutory Guidance issued by the Secretary of State. The rules on proportionality (which are applied to the nomination of representatives from the minority groups) are contained in the Local Government and Housing Act, 1989 and regulations issued thereunder.

6.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

6.1 This report complies with the Council's policies with regard to equal opportunities.

7.0 <u>RECOMMENDATIONS</u>

7.1 That the proposal set out in paragraph 3.1 above be approved.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 The Council's Constitution.

John Prycelis

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DIRECTOR OF LAW AND PROPERTY

APPOINTMENT OF CABINET

2005/06

Leader (Chairman of Cabinet)

Councillor

Cabinet Members (9)

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Opposition group members to attend meetings (to speak but not vote).

Labour Group	Liberal Democrat Group
6 places	2 places
Councillors	Councillors