

Brierley Hill Area Committee – 2nd October, 2008

Appointments to Community Associations

Report of the Director of Law and Property

Purpose of Report

1. To consider the appointment of representatives to serve on Community Associations for the 2008/09 municipal year in the light of the checking of the constitutions of the Community Associations involved, as requested at the last meeting of the Committee.

Background

2. Arising from consideration of a report submitted to the meeting of this Committee held on 1st July 2008, in connection with appointments to outside bodies in particular those to Community Associations checks have been made, as requested at that meeting, of the constitutions of the Community Associations indicated so as to clarify the number of representatives to be appointed to each Community Association by the Council.
3. In respect of the Brockmoor, Dingle, Hawbush, Kingswinford, Nine Locks, Pensnett and District and Wordsley and District Community Associations the constitutions of these associations indicate in each case that two representatives can be appointed from the Council. In respect of the Fens Pool Voluntary Association the constitution specifies one representative from the Council, whilst the constitution of the Wall Heath Community Association indicates that the number of representatives shall be determined from time to time by the Community Association. That Association currently determines that two representatives from the Council should be appointed.

Finance

4. Budgetary provision is made within the overall Council's budget to cover costs of appointing Council representatives to outside organisations.

Law

5. The statutory provisions relating to the above matter are contained in Section 111 of Local Government Act, 1972, which enables the Council to do anything that is calculated to facilitate or is conducive or incidental to the discharge of its various statutory functions.
6. The rules of 'proportionality' to reflect the political balance of the Committee do not apply to the appointments referred to in this report.

Equality Impact

7. This report is consistent with the Council's Equality and Diversity Policy. There are no direct effects on children or young people..

Recommendation

8. That, given the information in paragraph 3 above, the Committee reconsider the appointment of representatives to the nine Community Associations indicated as outlined in that paragraph.
9. That, in the light of the above information, that part of minute 9 of the meeting of this Committee held on 1st July, 2008, be rescinded in so far as it relates to the appointment of representatives to Community Associations.

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