

Annual Meeting of the Council – 17th May, 2007

Report of the Director of Law and Property

Appointments to Outside Bodies

Purpose of Report

1. To authorise the Director of Law and Property, in consultation with the Leader, to make appointments to certain outside bodies in view of the urgency involved in making such appointments.

Background

2. Following consultations with the Leader it is proposed that the Director of Law and Property, in consultation with the Leader, make appointments to the following outside bodies in view of the urgency involved in making such appointments:-

Local Government Association – General Assembly

West Midlands Local Government Association - Association Council/Regional Assembly
- Provincial Council
- Regional Planning Partnership
- Regional Housing Partnership

West Midlands Joint Committee (WMJC)

WMJC – Joint Planning and Transportation Sub-Committee

West Midlands Fire and Rescue Authority and “Prime Member”

West Midlands Passenger Transport Authority and “Prime Member”

Dudley and West Midlands Zoological Society Limited – Executive Board

Dudley Community Partnership

North Priory Project Board

3. In accordance with the Scheme of Delegation contained in the Constitution of the Council, the appointments to be made to other outside bodies would usually be considered at a meeting of the Cabinet. However, given the timetabling of meetings of the Cabinet and Area Committees in June, 2007, it is also proposed that appointments to be made by Area Committees be referred direct to those Committees.

Finance

4. The financial implications arising from these appointments will be met from existing resources.

Law

5. The statutory provisions relating to the above matter are contained in Section 111 of the Local Government Act, 1972, Sections 15-18 of the Local Government and Housing Act, 1989, and the relevant provisions of the Local Government Act, 2000.

Equality Impact

6. This report has no direct implications for the Council's policies with regard to equality and diversity. Depending on the nature of the organisations concerned, their activities will impact to a greater or lesser extent on equality and diversity issues, community groups or on services to children and young people.

Recommendation

7. That approval be given to the proposals set out in paragraphs 2 and 3 of this report.

John Pyatt

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Director of Law and Property

Background Papers

The Council's Constitution.