
Report to: Council

Date of Meeting: 1 September 2011

Subject: Appointment of Substitute Members on the Public Engagement and Consultation Panel

Report of: Director of Corporate Commissioning **Wards Affected:** All

Is this a Key Decision? No

Is it included in the Forward Plan?
No

Exempt/Confidential

No

Purpose/Summary

To appoint Substitute Members to serve on the Public Engagement and Consultation Panel for the remainder of the 2011/12 Municipal Year.

Recommendation(s)

That Councillors Shaw, Labour Nomination and Dutton be appointed as Substitute Members for Councillors Brodie-Browne, Friel and McIvor respectively on the Public Engagement and Consultation Panel

How does the decision contribute to the Council's Corporate Objectives?

	<u>Corporate Objective</u>	<u>Positive Impact</u>	<u>Neutral Impact</u>	<u>Negative Impact</u>
1	Creating a Learning Community		√	
2	Jobs and Prosperity		√	
3	Environmental Sustainability		√	
4	Health and Well-Being		√	
5	Children and Young People		√	
6	Creating Safe Communities		√	
7	Creating Inclusive Communities		√	
8	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening Local Democracy		√	

Reasons for the Recommendation:

The appointment of Substitute Members will enable the business of the Panel to be conducted with a full complement of Councillors if the Member(s) cannot attend.

What will it cost and how will it be financed?

(A) Revenue Costs

There are no financial costs associated with the proposals in this report

(B) Capital Costs

There are no financial costs associated with the proposals in this report

Implications:

The following implications of this proposal have been considered and where there are specific implications, these are set out below:

Legal - None	
Human Resources - None	
Equality	
1. No Equality Implication	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. Equality Implications identified and mitigated	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Equality Implication identified and risk remains	<input type="checkbox"/>

Impact on Service Delivery:

A full complement of Members on the Public Engagement and Consultation Panel will allow wider political input into the proceedings of the Panel to the benefit of local communities.

What consultations have taken place on the proposals and when?

The Head of Corporate Finance and ICT (FD880) has been consulted and has no comments on this report because the contents of the report have no financial implications for the Council.

The Head of Corporate Legal Services (LD237/11) has been consulted and has no comments to make on the report.

Are there any other options available for consideration?

The alternative option is to maintain the status quo and for Panel Members to have no Substitute Members to call on if they cannot attend the meeting.

Implementation Date for the Decision

Immediately following the Council meeting

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Background Papers:

There are no background papers available for inspection.

1. Introduction/Background

- 1.1 At its meeting held on 17 May 2011, the Council established a Public Engagement and Consultation Panel. Three Members were appointed to serve on the Panel with a political balance of 1 Labour, 1 Liberal Democrat and 1 Conservative. The current members are Councillor Brodie-Browne, Cabinet Member – Performance, Governance and Commissioning (Chair), Councillor McIvor, Conservative Spokesperson for the Performance, Governance and Commissioning portfolio and Councillor Friel.
- 1.2 The Council did not appoint Substitutes for the Panel Members and the purpose of this report is to resolve this issue.
- 1.3 Consultations have taken place with Party Whips and nominations have been made for the Substitute Members. As mentioned earlier in the report, the appointment of Substitute Members will enable the business of the Panel to be conducted with a full complement of Councillors if a Member(s) cannot attend.