

Reports

APPOINTMENTS – WASHINGTON AREA COMMITTEE, PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE, DEVELOPMENT CONTROL (HETTON, HOUGHTON AND WASHINGTON) SUB-COMMITTEE, ADULT SERVICES COMPLAINTS PANEL, AGE UK, CITIZENS' ADVICE BUREAU, WASHINGTON – MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, FOSTERING PANEL, NORTH EAST CHILD POVERTY COMMISSION AND NORTH EAST AUTOMOTIVE ALLIANCE

Report of the Head of Law and Governance

1.0 Introduction

1.1 The purpose of this report is to consider appointments to the Washington Area Committee, Planning and Highways Committee, Development Control (Hetton, Houghton and Washington) Sub-Committee, Adult Services Complaints Panel, Age UK, Citizens' Advice Bureau, Washington – Management Committee, Fostering Panel, North East Child Poverty Commission and North East Automotive Alliance.

2.0 Vacancies which have arisen following the Resignation of Councillor N. Padgett

2.1 Following the resignation of Councillor N. Padgett vacancies have arisen on the Washington Area Committee, Planning and Highways Committee, Development Control (Hetton, Houghton and Washington) Sub-Committee, Adult Services Complaints Panel, Age UK and Citizens' Advice Bureau, Washington – Management Committee.

2.2 The Council is requested to consider appointing Councillor T. Martin to serve on Age UK until the next Annual Council meeting.

2.3 The Council is requested to consider appointing Councillor T. Taylor to serve on the Washington Area Committee, Planning and Highways Committee, Development Control (Hetton, Houghton and Washington) Sub-Committee, Adult Services Complaints Panel and Citizens' Advice Bureau, Washington – Management Committee until the next Annual Council meeting.

3.0 Fostering Panel

3.1 A request has been received from Councillor M. Turton to resign from the Fostering Panel.

3.2 The Council is therefore requested to consider appointing Councillor Farthing to serve on the above Panel until the next Annual Council meeting.

4.0 North East Child Poverty Commission

4.1 Councillor P. Smith has recently been appointed as the new representative of the Association of North East Councils on the North East Child Poverty Commission.

4.2 The Commission is an independent group established to raise awareness of and encourage action to address child poverty. Its members are drawn from local authorities, voluntary organisations, employers and public agencies from across the North East.

4.3 The Council is therefore requested to endorse the appointment of Councillor P. Smith as the new representative of the Association of North East Councils on the North East Child Poverty Commission and authorise her attendance at meetings of the Commission.

5.0 North East Automotive Alliance

5.1 At its meeting held on 4th December, 2014 Cabinet considered a report on the development and delivery of the Council-owned key economic development site at Hillthorn Farm/Enterprise Zone Site 3. The report provided details of the newly formed North East Automotive Alliance (NEAA) which will be located in Sunderland and will provide the North East with one voice to raise the profile of and promote the North East automotive industry, lobby and support its continued growth.

5.2 In consideration for its funding, the Council is entitled to be represented on the Board of Directors of NEAA and to actively participate in the development of the NEAA for the benefit of the City. The Cabinet agreed to recommend to Council that the Chief Executive be appointed as the Council's representative on the Board of the NEAA.

6.0 Recommendations

6.1 The Council is accordingly recommended to:-

- (i) consider appointing Councillor T. Martin to serve on Age UK until the next Annual Council meeting;
- (ii) consider appointing Councillor T. Taylor to serve on the Washington Area Committee, Planning and Highways Committee, Development Control (Hetton, Houghton and Washington) Sub-Committee, Adult Services Complaints Panel and Citizens' Advice Bureau, Washington – Management Committee until the next Annual Council meeting;

- (iii) consider appointing Councillor Farthing to serve on the Fostering Panel until the next Annual Council meeting;
- (iv) endorse the appointment of Councillor P. Smith as the new representative of the Association of North East Councils on the North East Child Poverty Commission and authorise her attendance at meetings of the Commission; and
- (v) appoint the Chief Executive as the Council's representative on the Board of the NEAA.

