### THE ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

#### 15 MAY 2013

Title: APPOINTMENTS TO THE POLITICAL STRUCTURE AND OTHER BODIES

2013/14

**Report of: The Chief Executive** 

Open For Decision

Wards Affected: None Key Decision: No

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## **Summary:**

The Assembly is responsible for appointments to the political structure and various other internal and external bodies. The various positions to which appointments are required are set out in the attached **Appendices A-D**. **Appendix E** is attached for information.

The appointment of the Mayor and the Mayor's Chaplain will be dealt with at the Ceremonial Council on 17 May 2013.

## Recommendation(s)

The Assembly is recommended to:

- 1. Agree the membership of the various Council meetings (Appendix A):
- 2. Appoint the Chairs and Deputy Chairs and Lead and Deputy Lead Members (Appendix B);
- 3. Appoint the representatives on various internal and external bodies (Appendix C);
- 4. Appoint the Trustees of Local Charities (Appendix D); and
- 5. Note the statutory Co-opted Members (Appendix E);

# Reason(s)

- To meet statutory and constitutional requirements and to ensure relevant positions are appointed to enable the Council to proceed with business reserved to committees.
- 2. To ensure appropriate representation on internal and external meetings and other bodies.

## 1. Introduction and Background

- 1.1 The Assembly is responsible for appointments to the political structure and various other internal and external bodies.
- 1.2 The appointments meet statutory and constitutional requirements and ensure the Council is able to proceed with the business reserved to the committees.

# 2. Proposal and Issues

- 2.1 The various positions to which appointments are required for the municipal year 2013/2014 are set out in the attached **Appendices A-D.**
- 2.2 **Appendix E** is attached for information and sets out details of Statutory Co-opted Members. The Church of England Representative has resigned with effect from 11 April 2013. A replacement is currently being sought and will be reported to Assembly for ratification in due course.

# 3. Options Appraisal

3.1 Any delay in reappointing Members to the various meetings and other bodies puts the normal decision making process and business of the Council at risk.

#### 4. Consultation

4.1 Consultation has taken place with Members and officers as appropriate.

## 5. Financial Implications

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5.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report. This concerns the annual appointment of elected Members to existing Boards and Committees; and there are no changes in terms of the number of representatives or Boards (or the running cost therein).

# 6. Legal Implications

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- 6.1 The Assembly is a meeting of full council for the purposes of Section 8 and Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972.
- 6.2 This meeting of the Assembly is the annual meeting where the council decides on the overall political structure (the Member meetings of the council) and appoints the memberships (including any co-opted or independent persons). These appointments are for the Chair and Deputy Chair and memberships of committees of the council. They are appointed for one year and are reviewed annually by the

Assembly. The Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 provides that the Leader of the Council is now appointed for his full term of office and he is empowered to appoint the members of Cabinet and to approve their portfolios.

6.3 The Scheme of Delegation in the Council's Constitution sets out the basis for delegation under Section 101 of the Local Government Act 1972, Section 15 of the Local Government Act 2000 and the Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities) Regulations 2000. The appointments in this report meet statutory and constitutional requirements and ensure the Council is able to proceed with the business reserved to each committee.

#### 7. Other Implications - n/a

**Background Papers Used in the Preparation of the Report:** None

## List of appendices:

Appendix A -Councillor Membership of Council Meetings 2013/2014 Appendix B -

Chairs and Deputy Chairs, Lead Members and Deputy Lead

Members 2013/2014

Appendix C -Councillor Representation on various internal and external

bodies 2013/2014

**Trustees of Local Charities 2013/2014** Appendix D -Appendix E -**Statutory Co-opted Members 2013/2014**