

**Committee Name and Date of Committee Meeting**

Council – 10 November 2021

**Report Title**

Amendments to appointment of Members to Committees, Boards and Panels.

**Is this a Key Decision and has it been included on the Forward Plan?**

No

**Strategic Director Approving Submission of the Report**

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**Ward(s) Affected**

Borough-Wide

**Report Summary**

This report informs Council of amendments to the nomination of Members to serve on Committees, Boards and Panels.

**Recommendations**

- (1) That Council agree the amendments to the nominations of Members to serve on the Committees, Boards and Panels as listed below and that these amendments will take effect from 10<sup>th</sup> November 2021:

**a) Adoptions Panel:**

- Councillor Pitchley to be appointed.

**b) Fostering Panel:**

- Councillor Pitchley to be appointed.

**c) Health Select Commission:**

- Cllr Eve Rose Keenan to be appointed.

**d) Improving Places Select Commission:**

- Councillor Hughes to be appointed.

**e) Rotherham Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE):**

- Cllr Haleem to be removed.
- Cllr Eve Rose Keenan to be appointed.

**List of Appendices Included**

None.

**Background Papers**

[Membership of Political Groups on the Council, Political Balance and Entitlement to Seats Report](#) to Full Council on 26 May 2021.

**Consideration by any other Council Committee, Scrutiny or Advisory Panel**

None.

**Council Approval Required**

Yes

**Exempt from the Press and Public**

No

## **Amendments to appointment of Members to Committees, Boards and Panels.**

### **1. Background**

- 1.1 At its meeting on 26 May 2021, Council agreed the appointment of Members to committees, boards and panels, and the appointment of Chairs and Vice-Chairs, as set out on the schedule which was tabled at the meeting in the Mayors Letter.

### **2. Key Issues**

- 2.1 Members are reminded that Section 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 states that where the Council has determined the allocation to different Groups of the seats to which the Act applies, it shall be the duty of the authority to give effect to a Group's wishes about who is to be appointed to the seats that they have been allocated.
- 2.2 Democratic Services have received notification that it has become necessary to make amendments to appointment of Members to serve on the committees, boards, and panels, as listed below:

#### **Adoptions Panel:**

- Councillor Pitchley to be appointed.

#### **Fostering Panel:**

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#### **Health Select Commission:**

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#### **Improving Places Select Commission:**

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### **3. Options considered and recommended proposal**

- 3.1 No alternative options were considered.
- 3.2 It is recommended that the appointments to the committees, boards and panels be amended and notes as discussed in section 2.2 of this report.

### **4. Consultation on proposal**

- 4.1 Consultation has taken place within the political groups themselves and with the members concerned.

## **5. Timetable and Accountability for Implementing this Decision**

5.1 The amendments to the appointment of Members to the committees, boards and panels listed in section 2.2 of this report will take effect from 10 November 2021.

5.2 Staff from within the Governance Unit will contact the members being appointed to those committees, boards, and panels to discuss their appointment and arrange any required committee specific training prior to the next schedule meeting.

## **6. Financial and Procurement Advice and Implications (to be written by the relevant Head of Finance and the Head of Procurement on behalf of s151 Officer)**

6.1 There are no financial and procurement implications directly arising from this report.

## **7. Legal Advice and Implications (to be written by Legal Officer on behalf of Assistant Director Legal Services)**

7.1 The composition and allocation of membership of the above bodies has been based on the relevant legislative requirements in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

## **8. Human Resources Advice and Implications**

8.1 There are no human resources implications arising from this report.

## **9. Implications for Children and Young People and Vulnerable Adults**

9.1 The appointment of members to serve on committees and other bodies of the council will indirectly impact on children and young people and vulnerable adults through the activities and decisions of those bodies. There are no apparent direct implications at the time of writing this report.

## **10. Equalities and Human Rights Advice and Implications**

10.1 There are no equalities implications arising from the report. Political groups are required to have regard to the provisions of the Equality Act 2010 when nominating Member appointments to committees and other offices.

## **11. Implications for CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions and Climate Change**

11.1 There are no implications for CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions and Climate Change arising from this report.

## **12. Implications for Partners**

- 12.1 The appointment of councillors to serve on external bodies and partnerships is designed to have a positive impact on the council's relationship with those organisations and enhance the relationship through the presence of accountable and elected representatives.

### **13. Risks and Mitigation**

- 13.1 By having regard to the detail of the report above in respect of meeting statutory requirements, any risk implications will have been mitigated. Consequently, there are no risks to be borne in mind in respect of the recommendations.

### **14. Accountable Officer(s)**

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