

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

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Subject Heading:

**APPOINTMENTS TO OTHER
ORGANISATIONS, 2016/17**

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Policy context:

The Council appoints Members and others to serve on a variety of other bodies

Financial summary:

There are no significant financial implications.

The subject matter of this report deals with the following Council Objectives

Havering will be clean and its environment will be cared for	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
People will be safe, in their homes and in the community	<input type="checkbox"/>
Residents will be proud to live in Havering	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

SUMMARY

The Council makes appointments to a large number of other organisations, some statutory, others voluntary.

Since the new executive governance arrangements came into force, responsibility for making some appointments has passed from this Committee to the Leader of the Council but the Constitution provides that in the case of non-executive appointments, it is for this Committee to make decisions

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee:

1. **Re-appoint Councillor Carol Smith** as a nominative trustee until February 2021.
2. **Appoint David Williams OR Councillor Damian White OR Councillor Barbara Matthews** as a nominative trustee until February 2021.
3. **Appoint Jeremy Munday OR Councillor Damian White OR Councillor Barbara Matthews** as a nominative trustee until February 2018.

REPORT DETAIL

1. HORNCHURCH HOUSING TRUST:

The Council appoints a number of nominative trustees to the Trust for four year terms of office expiring in sequence over each four year period.

The term of office for both Mr Eric Munday and Councillor Carol Smith expired at the end of February 2017. Councillor Smith has indicated that she wishes to be re-appointed to the Trust but Mr Munday would like to step down from his role.

In addition, Mrs Peggy Munday has resigned from the Trust and a vacancy has arisen for the term of office expiring in February 2018.

Mr David Williams has been put forward for nomination by the Trust. He was a Trustee from 1995 until 2015 and wishes to be re-appointed. Mr Williams has a legal background and the Trust feel he would represent a pool of knowledge of the Trust's history that would be invaluable to them.

Jeremy Munday is the son of Eric and Peggy Munday and thus knows about the Trust and the work involved in being a Trustee. He is a Chartered Accountant and he has professional experience in both Financial and HR management as well as in running small businesses. The Trust has put his name forward as they believe he would prove a useful addition to the Board.

In addition, the Conservative Group has nominated Councillor Damian White, Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Housing. This nomination

would be for the full four year term, replacing Mr Eric Munday, in the first instance or, if unsuccessful, for the one year term, replacing Mrs Peggy Munday.

Councillor Barbara Matthews has been nominated by the Residents' Group. Similarly, the nomination would be for the full four year term, replacing Mr Eric Munday, in the first instance or, if unsuccessful, for the one year term, replacing Mrs Peggy Munday.

IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

Equalities and Social Inclusion Implications and Risks

There are no specific implications or risks. Appointments should be made with the Council's equalities policies in mind.

Legal, Finance and Environmental Implications and Risks

These appointments are administrative and have no direct legal, financial or environmental implications or risks. In some cases, membership of an organisation is dependent upon the Council paying a subscription: where relevant, the subscription will be met from within an appropriate budget provision.

Members who sit on outside bodies will need to consider whether (a) they are required to register their interests with the Council and, where appropriate, declare the interests at meetings and (b) seek advice when they are potentially involved in Council decisions that may affect the outside body. As there is no remuneration for the appointments, they are very unlikely to be discloseable pecuniary interests. Trustee status means that the trustee must always act in the best interests of the trust. The Monitoring Officer is available to provide advice as and when necessary.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None