

North Tyneside Council

Report to Council

Date: 24 October 2013

ITEM 7

Title: Appointment of Co-Deputy Chair of the Adult Social Care, Health and Wellbeing Sub Committee

Portfolio(s): Elected Mayor

Cabinet Member(s): Norma Redfearn

Report from Directorate: Chief Executive's Office

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Wards affected: All Wards

PART 1

1.1 Purpose:

This report has been prepared following the receipt of notification of the resignation of Councillor A Normand as a member of the Labour Group.

1.2 Recommendation(s):

It is recommended that Council appoints a Co-Deputy Chair of the Adult Social Care, Health and Wellbeing Sub Committee for the remainder of the 2013/14 Municipal Year.

1.3 Forward Plan:

This item first appeared on the Forward Plan that was published on 11 September 2013.

1.4 Council Plan and Policy Framework

This report is administrative and therefore has no direct relevance to the Council Plan priorities.

1.5 Information:

At the Council meeting held on 27 June 2013, the Council appointed Councillor A Normand as a Co-Deputy Chair of the Adult Social Care, Health and Wellbeing Sub Committee.

Subsequently, Councillor Normand has given notice of her resignation from the Labour Group and wishes to be considered as an independent member. Under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and associated regulations, seats on committees must be allocated to political groups, therefore Councillor Normand is not entitled to any seats on committees as an independent Member.

The Council is now requested to determine the appointment to the vacant position of Co-Deputy Chair of the Adult Social Care, Health and Wellbeing Sub Committee.

The membership details of the Committee are appended to this report.

1.6 Decision options:

The Council is responsible for approving the appointment of chairs and deputy chairs of its committees and sub committees. If more than one nomination is received for the position of Deputy Chair, a vote will be held with the nominee receiving the highest number of votes being appointed to the position.

1.7 Reasons for recommended option:

To ensure the appointment of a Co-Deputy Chair of the Adult Social Care, Health and Wellbeing Sub Committee is made for the remainder of the 2013/14 municipal year.

1.8 Appendices:

Appendix 1: Membership of the Adult Social Care, Health and Wellbeing Sub Committee.

1.9 Contact officers:

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1.10 Background information:

The following background papers/information have been used in the compilation of this report and are available at the office of the author:

Council minutes, 27 June 2013
North Tyneside Council Constitution
Email giving notice of resignation

PART 2 – COMPLIANCE WITH PRINCIPLES OF DECISION MAKING

2.1 Finance and other resources

A Special Responsibility Allowance of £1,473 is payable to the Co-Deputy Chair of the Adult Social Care, Health and Wellbeing Sub Committee. If a Member who does not currently have a Special Responsibility Allowance, is appointed as the Co-Deputy Chair, the Allowance can be met from within the existing Law and Governance budget for Members' Allowances.

2.2 Legal

The Council is responsible for approving the appointment of chairs and deputy chairs of its committees and sub committees.

2.3 Consultation/community engagement

The Member approval process, at the Council meeting, provides the key element to the consultation process.

2.4 Human rights

There are no human rights implications arising directly from this report.

2.5 Equalities and diversity

There are no equalities and diversity implications arising directly from this report.

2.6 Risk management

As the recommendation is procedural and a recognised part of the business of the Council, no further risk assessment has been undertaken.

2.7 Crime and disorder

There are no direct crime and disorder implications arising from this report.

2.8 Environment and sustainability

There are no direct environment and sustainability implications arising from this report.

PART 3 - SIGN OFF

- Chief Executive
- Chief Finance Officer
- Monitoring Officer
- Strategic Manager,
Policy, Partnerships,
Performance and Communications

Membership of the Adult Social Care, Health and Well-Being Sub-Committee

1. Councillor Alison Austin
2. Councillor Margaret Finlay
3. Councillor Sandra Graham
4. Councillor Muriel Green
5. Councillor Wendy Lott
6. Councillor Les Miller
7. Councillor Tommy Mulvenna
8. Councillor Joan Munby
9. Councillor Pat Oliver (Co-Deputy Chair)
10. Councillor David Sarin
11. Councillor Alison Waggott-Fairley (Chair)
12. Vacant