
APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE POOL OF PLANNING RESERVES

To: **Council – 2 October 2014**

By: **Committee Services Manager**

Classification: **Unrestricted**

Summary: **To appoint additional Labour Group Members to the pool of named Planning Reserves.**

For Decision

1.0 Introduction and Background

- 1.1 At the Annual Meeting of Council on 15 May 2015 the Labour Group appointed six of its Members to the Pool of Planning Committee Reserves, although the group was entitled to eight seats.
- 1.2 Democratic Services have been informed by the Labour Group that they wish to fill the remaining two seats on the Pool of Planning Committee Reserves.

2.0 The Current Situation

- 2.1 Democratic Services have been informed by the Labour Group that they wish to appoint Councillor Campbell and Councillor H. Scobie to the two vacant positions on the Pool of Planning Committee Reserves. This is shown in the table below:

Committee / Group	Current Position	New Position
Planning Committee Reserves		
Labour Group	Vacant	Cllr Campbell
	Vacant	Cllr H Scobie

- 2.2 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.

3.0 Corporate Implications

3.1 Financial and VAT

- 3.1.1 There are no financial implications as a result of the report.

3.2 Legal

- 3.2.1 Council have agreed that only those Members in the Pool of Planning Committee Reserves may substitute for Members of the Planning Committee.

3.3 Corporate

3.3.1 Having named substitutes and ensuring that they are trained will help to increase the robustness and resilience of the decisions made by the Planning Committee.

3.4 Equity and Equalities

3.4.1 There are no equity or equalities issues as a result of this report.

4.0 Recommendation

4.1 That Council notes/agrees the additional two Labour Group appointments to the pool of Planning Reserves.

5.0 Decision Making Process

5.1 This a decision for Council.

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Annex List

None	
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Background Papers

Title	Details of where to access copy
None	

Corporate Consultation Undertaken

Finance	n/a
Legal	n/a