

## **ELECTION OF CHAIR**

<b>Annual Council</b>	18 May 2023
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<b>Status:</b>	For Decision
<b>Classification:</b>	Unrestricted
<b>Key Decision</b>	No

### **Executive Summary:**

The political groups have been invited to submit their nominations for the election of Chair. Council is asked to decide on the appointment.

### **Recommendation:**

That the election of the Chair of the Council be agreed.

### **Corporate Implications**

There are no identified financial implications from this report.

### **Risk Management**

There are no risk implications arising directly from this report.

### **Legal**

The election of Chair must take place at the annual meeting of the Council in accordance with sections 3 and 4 of the Local Government Act 1972.

### **Equalities Act 2010 and Public Sector Equality Duty:**

Members are reminded of the requirement, under the Public Sector Equality Duty (section 149 of the Equality Act 2010) to have due regard to the aims of the Duty at the time the decision is taken. The aims of the Duty are: (i) eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act, (ii) advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it, and (iii) foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it.

Protected characteristics: age, gender, disability, race, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, religion or belief and pregnancy & maternity. Only aim (i) of the Duty applies to Marriage & civil partnership.

There are no specific equity and equality considerations that need to be addressed in this report, any Member may be nominated as Chairman of the Council.

## **Corporate Priorities**

None.

### **1.0 Introduction and Background:**

1.1 The constitution of the Council states that:

“The annual meeting will consider the following:-

(ii) elect the Chair of Council;”

1.2 Nominations for Chair of the Council have been invited from the Leaders of the Political Groups and will be announced at the meeting.

### **2.0 Decision Making Process**

2.1 Council is the decision making body.

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Reporting to: Sameera Khan, Interim Head of Legal and Monitoring Officer

## **Annex List**

None

## **Background Papers**

None

## **Corporate Consultation:**

**Finance:** Chris Blundell, Director of Corporate Resources & S151 Officer

**Legal:** Sameera Khan, Interim Head of Legal and Monitoring Officer