

Title of Report	APPOINTMENT OF PARISH REPRESENTATIVES TO THE AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE	
Presented by	Councillor Nick Rushton Corporate Portfolio Holder	
Background Papers	Council report dated June 2012 Localism Act 2011	Public Report: Yes
Financial Implications	All work undertaken falls within the work the team are already doing in this area therefore there are no additional resource implications.	
	Signed off by the Section 151 Officer: Yes	
Legal Implications	None	
	Signed off by the Monitoring Officer: Yes	
Staffing and Corporate Implications	None	
	Signed off by the Head of Paid Service: Yes	
Purpose of Report	To seek Council's approval to the proposed nominations of parish representatives for the Audit and Governance Committee to sit on sub-committees as and when required.	
Recommendations	<p>THAT COUNCIL:</p> <p>1) APPROVES THE APPOINTMENTS OF PARISH REPRESENTATIVES AS DETAILED AT PARAGRAH 2.1 OF THE REPORT.</p> <p>2) NOTES THE NEXT STEPS REQUIRED TO APPOINT TO THE REMAINING VACANT PARISH REPRESENTATIVE SEATS.</p>	

1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 Members will be aware the Audit and Governance Committee can establish sub-committees to determine matters concerning allegations of both District and Parish member conduct. The sub-committee may co-opt at least one Parish Council Member when decisions are taken concerning a parish matter.

- 1.2 It was agreed at the Council meeting in June 2012, that a pool of four parish representatives be appointed to sit on such sub-committees. Appointments to the pool would be sought following each Parish election or as when required.
- 1.3 The Town and Parish Council elections were held this year and therefore the process for appointing to the seats commenced in July 2023.

2.0 NOMINATIONS

- 2.1 The Democratic Services Team sought nominations from all Town and Parish Councils of any Town or Parish Councillor who wished to be considered for the four seats available. The following two nominations were received:
 - 2.1.2 Parish Councillor Russell Johnson of Hugglescote and Donington la Heath Parish Council; and
 - 2.1.3 Parish Councillor Lorraine Upton of Charley Parish Council.
- 2.2 As four representatives are required, the Democratic Services Team sought further nominations from all Town and Parish Council's in September. No nominations were received.
- 2.3 Therefore, at this stage, Council is asked to approve Parish Councillors Russell Johnson and Lorraine Upton as Parish Representatives on the Audit and Governance Committee. This will ensure that although appointments cannot yet be made to all four seats, representatives are available should they be required to sit on a sub-committee.

3.0 NEXT STEPS

- 3.1 The Democratic Services Team will seek nominations once again from all Town and Parish Councils to fill the remaining two vacant seats.
- 3.2 If more than two nominations are received, all Town and Parish Council's will be balloted, and a formal count conducted in the presence of the Monitoring Officer and the Chair of the Audit and Governance Committee.
- 3.3 Once the process has concluded, a further report will be brought to Council for consideration and approval.

Policies and other considerations, as appropriate	
Council Priorities:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Supporting Coalville to be a more vibrant, family-friendly town - Support for businesses and helping people into local jobs - Developing a clean and green district - Local people live in high quality, affordable homes - Our communities are safe, healthy and connected
Policy Considerations:	Localism Act 2011 Council's Constitution
Safeguarding:	None
Equalities/Diversity:	Nominations were invited from all Town and Parish Councillors.
Customer Impact:	None
Economic and Social Impact:	None
Environment, Climate Change and zero carbon:	None
Consultation/Community Engagement:	All Town and Parish Councils
Risks:	The Council's governance arrangements are a fundamental part of the Authority's management of risk and contribute towards good corporate governance.
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