

Decision under Delegated Powers

Appointments to Committees 2023/24

Officer Requesting Decision

Democratic Services Manager

Officer Making the Decision

Director Finance, Governance and Contracts

Recommendation

That the following appointment be made with effect from 1st December 2023, and as required in the Constitution be noted at the next Council meeting on 15th January 2024:

Committee name	Current Chair	Proposed Chair
Scrutiny Commission	Cllr Seaton	Cllr Rattray

Reason

Councillor Seaton was appointed Chair of the Scrutiny Commission at Annual Council on 22nd May 2023. An agreement was made between the Group Leaders' that the chairmanship would change six months later to another member of the Conservative Group. Councillor Rattray is a current member of the Scrutiny Commission.

Authority for Decision

Whilst the Leader of the Council is able to appoint Cabinet members, allocate Executive responsibilities and make changes to the delegation of Executive functions, Committee appointments need a Council decision under the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, and the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990.

The next scheduled Council meeting is on 15th January 2024 and as there is a scheduled meeting before that date, it is necessary that the Head of Governance or in his/her absence the Director Finance, Governance and Contracts makes a delegated decision. The Head of Governance has delegated authority to make interim committee appointments if notice is received from the relevant group leader (section 11.2(d) of the Constitution in respect of scrutiny appointments and section 12.4(a) of the Constitution in respect of other committee appointments).

Decision and Date



Director of Finance, Governance and Contracts
04th December 2023

Financial Implications

There are no additional financial costs. The Special Responsibility Allowance (SRA) will change to the new Chair with effect from 1st December 2023 and met from the existing councillors' allowances budget.

Risk Management

No risks have been identified with this decision.

Key Decision: No

Background Papers: None

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