



# Report to

Council

29th June, 2009

# Report of

Director of Customer and Workforce Services

## Title

Amendments to Membership of Scrutiny Board (3), Remit of Scrutiny Boards and Appointments to Outside Bodies

## 1 Purpose of the Report

1.1 To seek Council's approval to amend the remit of the Scrutiny Boards appointed at the Annual Meeting of the Council on 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2009, to replace Councillor Mrs Waters on Scrutiny Board (3) with Councillor Andrews and to make amendments to some appointments to Outside Bodies.

#### 2 Recommendations

- (A) The Council are recommended to approve, with immediate effect,:-
- (i) the changes to the remit of Scrutiny Boards shown in paragraph 4.1 below:
- (ii) the replacement of Councillor Mrs Waters on Scrutiny Board (3) with Councillor Andrews.
- (iii) the following change to appointments to outside bodies:-

**Coventry Refugee Centre** – Councillor Andrew Williams to replace Councillor Heather Johnson

(iv) the following correction to the appointments to outside bodies:-

**City Wide Business Improvement District (BID) Board** – Barry Hastie to replace Councillor Gary Ridley

(B) The City Council are requested to appoint a representative to the Coventry and Solihull Valuation Tribunal for the term of office expiring in May 2011 to replace Mrs. S. Forte who has resigned.

#### 3 Information/Background

At the Annual Meeting of the City Council on 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2009, as well as approving the membership of City Council bodies, approval was given to the remit of the Scrutiny Boards and appointments to outside bodies.

#### 4 **Proposal and Other Option(s) to be Considered**

4.1 It is proposed to change the remit of the Scrutiny Boards as detailed below to take account of the provisions in the Police and Justice Act 2006 relating to the scrutiny of crime and disorder issues and to make the Scrutiny Board remits more equitable (changes shown in bold and italics)-

### Scrutiny Board (1)

Finance and Value for Money Customer and Workforce Service *Neighbourhood and Community Safety* from Scrutiny Board (4) (also designate as the Committee responsible for the scrutiny of crime and disorder issues)

(note: the Board no longer has responsibility for audit issues, as these are now dealt with by the Audit Committee.)

### Scrutiny Board (2)

Children, Learning and Young People *Culture, Leisure and Libraries* from Scrutiny Board (4)

These proposals will result in the remit of Scrutiny Board 4 being as follows:-

Community Services Health (including external health issues)

- 4.2 It is also proposed to replace Councillor Mrs Waters on Scrutiny Board (3) with Councillor Andrews.
- 4.3 It is further proposed to make the following change to appointments to outside bodies:-

**Coventry Refugee Centre** – Councillor Andrew Williams to replace Councillor Heather Johnson

4.4 It is further proposed to make the following correction to appointments to outside bodies:-

**City Wide Business Improvement District (BID) Board** – Barry Hastie to replace Councillor Gary Ridley

4.5 It is proposed that a person be appointed to the Coventry and Solihull Valuation Tribunal for the term of office expiring in May 2011 to replace Mrs. S. Forte who has resigned.

#### 5 Other specific implications

5.1 This being essentially a process report, no implications specific as such to the proposals it recommends are anticipated.

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