

Name of meeting: Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee

Date: 20 June 2023

Title of report: Allocation of Scrutiny Co-optees for the 2023/24 Municipal Year

Purpose of report: To consider the allocation of co-optees to Scrutiny Panels for the 2023-24 municipal year.

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| Key Decision - Is it likely to result in spending or saving £250k or more, or to have a significant effect on two or more electoral wards? | Not applicable |
| Key Decision - Is it in the <u>Council's Forward Plan (key decisions and private reports)</u> ? | Not applicable |
| The Decision - Is it eligible for call in by Scrutiny? | Not applicable |
| Date signed off by <u>Strategic Director</u> & name | Not applicable |
| Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Finance? | Not applicable |
| Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Legal Governance and Commissioning? | Samantha Lawton, 7-6-23 |
| Cabinet member portfolio | N/A |

Electoral wards affected: All

Ward councillors consulted: Not applicable.

Public or private: Public Report

Has GDPR been considered? Yes.

1. Summary

- 1.1 At the beginning of each municipal year the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee is required to re-appoint the voluntary and statutory co-optees and allocate them to Panels or the Co-optee Pool.
- 1.2 Voluntary co-optees generally serve a maximum term of four years. Statutory co-optees are nominated by the Diocese or apply in their role as a school governor. Where a co-optee is not involved in any work for a year, then that year does not count towards their service.

2. Information required to take a decision

- 2.1 At the start of the municipal year 2022/23 there were a total of eleven co-optees involved in scrutiny, three of whom resigned during the year.
- 2.2 In May 2023 the scrutiny structure changed as set out below:
- The Corporate Panel was dissolved, with the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee taking over responsibility for its areas of scrutiny focus.
 - A Regeneration and Growth Panel was established.
 - The remit of the Economy and Neighbourhoods Panel was altered, to remove those areas of scrutiny that would now be considered by the new Regeneration and Growth Panel, with a subsequent change in name to better reflect its focus: the Environment and Climate Change Scrutiny Panel.
- 2.3 Two of the co-optees completed their 4 year term at the end of 2022-23 but were asked to continue for an additional year. Both were asked to continue for an additional twelve months.
- 2.4 Set out below is a table that includes the current and new co-optees and the proposed allocations for the 2023/24 municipal year.

| Name | Allocation 2022/23 | Proposed Allocation 2023/24 |
|-----------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Toni Bromley | Children's | Children's |
| Helen Clay | Health and Adult Social Care | Health and Adult Social Care |
| Jane Emery | Economy and Neighbourhoods | Environment and Climate Change |
| Chris Friend | Economy and Neighbourhoods | Regeneration and Growth |
| Oliver Gibson | Children's | Children's |
| Garry Kitchin | Corporate | Environment and Climate Change |
| Jonathan Milner | Economy and Neighbourhoods | Regeneration and Growth |
| Kim Taylor | Health and Adult Social Care | Health and Adult Social Care |

3. Implications for the Council

There are no specific implications for the Council at this point.

4. Consultees and their opinions

No consultation was appropriate in respect of the contents of this report.

5. Next steps and timelines

Subject to the decision of the Committee, the co-optees will be advised of their allocated Panel.

6. Officer recommendations and reasons

6.1 That the allocation of scrutiny co-optees for the 2023/24 municipal year, as set out in paragraph 2.4, be agreed.

6.2 That the existing serving co-optees be thanked for their continued commitment and contribution to the work of scrutiny in Kirklees.

6.3 That the following retiring co-optees be thanked for their contribution to the work of scrutiny:

Kristina Parkes

James Ryan

Graeme Sunderland

7. Cabinet Portfolio Holder's recommendations

Not applicable.

8. Contact officer

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9. Service Director responsible

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