



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

COUNCIL

19th SEPTEMBER 2018

CHANGES TO MEMBERSHIP

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS & INTERIM HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

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1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- To advise Members of the change to the Labour representation on the Finance & Performance Scrutiny Committee.
- To advise Members of the change to the Conservative Group representation on the Finance & Performance Scrutiny Committee.
- To advise Members of the change to the Labour representation on the Audit Committee
- To advise Members of the need to change the Membership to the Cwm Taf Public Services Board Joint Scrutiny Committee
- To advise Members of the changes to the Authority's nominated representatives on the Trivallis Board, following legislative changes.

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To note that County Borough Councillor J Elliott is to be nominated in place of County Borough Councillor G Hughes on the Finance & Performance Scrutiny Committee.
- 2.2 To note that County Borough Councillor L Hooper is to be nominated in place of County Borough Councillor M Diamond on the Finance & Performance Scrutiny Committee.
- 2.3 To note that County Borough Councillor J Elliott is to be nominated in place of County Borough Councillor G Thomas on the Audit Committee
- 2.4 To replace County Borough Councillor M Adams from the Cwm Taf Public Services Board Joint Scrutiny Committee membership and that a new Member is nominated from the membership of the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
- 2.5 To note that the Authority's nominated representatives on the Trivallis Board going forward will be County Borough Councillor M Griffiths and

officer representative Mr P Mee, Director, Public Health Protection & Community Services.

- 2.6 Subject to the agreement of 2.4, correspondence be sent to Merthyr Tydfil Council advising them of the membership change once a new member is nominated.
- 2.7 Subject to the agreement of 2.5, correspondence be sent to Trivallis advising them of the Authority's nominated representatives to the Board.

3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 The need to advise Members of the changes put forward by the Labour and Conservative group in respect of scrutiny and Audit Membership.
- 3.2. The need to advise Members of the changes to the Cwm Taf Public Services Joint Scrutiny Committee
- 3.3 The need to advise Members of the changes to the Authority's nominated representative on the Trivallis Board following changes in legislation.

4 CHANGES TO MEMBERSHIP

Scrutiny

- 4.1 In accordance with the decision taken by Minute No.10 of the Council meeting held on the 23rd May, 2018, I have received notification from both the labour and conservative group of the following changes in membership:
 - Labour Group - A change to its membership for the Finance and Performance Scrutiny Committee in that County Borough Councillor J Elliott is to be nominated in place of County Borough Councillor G Hughes
 - Labour Group – A change to its membership for the Audit Committee in that County Borough Councillor J Elliott is to be nominated in place of County Borough Councillor G Thomas.
 - Conservative Group - A change to its membership for the Finance & Performance Scrutiny Committee in that County Borough Councillor L. Hooper is to be nominated in place of County Borough Councillor M.Diamond.

Joint Scrutiny

- 4.2 In accordance with the decision taken by Minute 10(2) of the Council meeting held on the 23rd May, 2018 I have received notification that Councillor M Adams would like to be taken off the membership of the Cwm Taf Public Services Board Joint Scrutiny Committee. In

accordance with Minute 10(2) a new member shall be appointed from the Overview & Scrutiny Committee membership.

Trivallis

4.3 Following the recent passing of the Regulation of Social Landlords Act (2018) and in accordance with Section 7B of Schedule 1 Section 16 Chapter 1A (introduced in to the 1996 Housing Act by this legislation), after the 15th August 2018 no appointment may be made to the Board of a Registered Social Landlord (RSL) which would result in a Local Authority appointees amounting to more than 24% of the total Board members of the RSL.

4.4 In light of the above legislative requirements it is proposed that the Authority's nominated representative on the Trivallis Board be reduced from the appointed four, as outlined below, to two.

- **Trivallis (formerly RCT Homes) (3 year term)**
County Borough Councillors R.Bevan, M.Griffiths and S.Pickering and P.Mee (Officer). (Minute No. 18 (23) of the Council meeting held on the 17th May, 2017
- **Trivallis (3 Year Term from July, 2018 to July, 2021)**
Officer Appointment – Mr.P.Mee. Minute 18(12) of the Council meeting held on the 23rd May, 2018.)

4.5 Going forward it is proposed that Mr P Mee and County Borough Councillor M Griffiths be appointed as the Authority's representatives on the Trivallis Board.

5. EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no Equality or Diversity implications aligned to this report

6. CONSULTATION

6.1 There are no consultation implications aligned to this report.

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no financial implications aligned to this report.

8. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 As in accordance with the Council's Scrutiny Committee membership requirements – Council Constitution.

8.2 As in accordance with Regulation of Social Landlords Act (2018)

9. LINKS TO THE COUNCILS CORPORATE PLAN / OTHER CORPORATE PRIORITIES.

9.1 The work of scrutiny encompasses all of the Council's Corporate Plan objectives, therefore it is important to ensure the Committees membership is complete and accurate to undertake such scrutiny.

10 CONCLUSION

10.1 To provide Members with information in respect of the Committee memberships going forward.

Other Information:-

Relevant Scrutiny Committee – Not applicable

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

AS AMENDED BY

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

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