

COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM No. 13(a)
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APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE

RECOMMENDATIONS
FROM : Director of Governance
<p>That Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Appoints Councillor Kim Aitken as Chairman of Audit Committee for the remainder of the municipal year 2015/16. 2. Appoints Councillor David Over as Vice Chairman of Audit Committee, for the remainder of the municipal year 2015/16, in the event that the Vice Chairman position becomes vacant following the appointment of the Chairman.

1. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is for Council to appoint a Chairman of Audit Committee for the remainder of the municipal year 2015/16.
- 1.2 Council is also requested to appoint to the position of Vice Chairman for the remainder of the municipal year 2015/16, should the position become vacant following the appointment of the Chairman.

2. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN

- 2.1 At the Annual Meeting of Council held on 20 May 2015, Councillor Andy Coles was appointed as the Chairman of the Audit Committee and Councillor Kim Aitken as the Vice Chairman.
- 2.2 Councillor Coles resigned his position as Chairman of the Committee with effect from 20 July 2015 following his appointment as a Cabinet Member and therefore the position of Chairman is currently vacant.
- 2.3 In the event that a Chairman resigns in year, the Council's Standing Order 6.1 'Appointment of Chair or Vice Chair in year vacancy' states that the Council will appoint another Chairman at its next meeting following the resignation and in the meantime the Committee may elect a temporary Chairman until a new appointment is made by the Council'.
- 2.4 The Chairman of the Audit Committee is to be drawn from amongst the Members of the Committee and it is recommended that Councillor Aitken, who as Vice Chairman has acted as Chairman following Councillor Coles' resignation, is appointed to the role for the remainder of the municipal year.

- 2.5 In the event of the approval of this appointment, this will leave the Vice Chairman role vacant and it is recommended that Councillor Over be appointed as Vice Chairman for the remainder of the municipal year.

3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 There are no financial implications to the appointment. The remuneration for the Chairman post is accounted for within the 2015/16 Member's Allowances.

4. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There are no legal implications for the recommendations contained in the report.

5. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

- 5.1 Peterborough City Council's Constitution.