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| COUNCIL | AGENDA ITEM 8 (iv) (b) |
| 14 October 2009 | PUBLIC REPORT |

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NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNCILS – APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMEN

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| R E C O M M E N D A T I O N S |
| FROM: SOLICITOR TO THE COUNCIL |
| <p>That Council:</p> <p>approves the appointment of vice chairman to its seven Neighbourhood Councils as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Central & East 1: Cllr C Swift 2. Central & East 2: Cllr B Saltmarsh 3. North & West 1: Cllr R Dobbs 4. North & West 2: Cllr John Fox 5. North & West 3: Cllr M Dalton 6. South 1: Cllr B Rush 7. South 2: Cllr N North |

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The report seeks Council's approval of the appointment of vice chairmen to its seven Neighbourhood Councils in accordance with part 4, Standing Orders Section 2, paragraph 4.1 of the Council's constitution.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 At its meeting on 15 July 2009 Council resolved to set up Neighbourhood Councils and to appoint one chairman to each Neighbourhood Council area, Central & East, North & West and South.
- 2.2 Cllr Lowndes was appointed as Chairman of the two Central & East Neighbourhood Councils, Cllr Nash as the Chairman of the three North & West Neighbourhood Councils and Cllr Goodwin as chairman of the two South Neighbourhood Councils.
- 2.3 In accordance with the procedure rules for Neighbourhood Councils, one vice chairman must be appointed to each of the seven Neighbourhood Council from the members appointed to that Neighbourhood Council.

3. NOMINATIONS

- 3.1 The chairmen of the respective Neighbourhood Councils have nominated the following councillors as the vice chairmen:

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| Central & East 1: | Cllr C Swift |
| Central & East 2: | Cllr B Saltmarsh |
| North & West 1: | Cllr R Dobbs |
| North & West 2: | Cllr John Fox |
| North & West 3: | Cllr M Dalton |
| South 1: | Cllr B Rush |
| South 2: | Cllr N North |

5. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 5.1 All committees of the Council must have a vice chairman appointed to ensure effective management of meetings in the absence of the chairman.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 These are contained within the report.

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no direct financial implications for appointing vice chairmen to neighbourhood councils.

8. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1 The recommendations fulfil the Council's statutory responsibilities.

9. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

The Council's constitution
Council report and minutes dated 15 July 2009 – Neighbourhood Councils