

COUNCIL	AGENDA ITEM No. 13(c)
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APPOINTMENT OF STATUTORY SCRUTINY OFFICER

RECOMMENDATIONS	
FROM: Director of Law and Governance and Monitoring Officer	Deadline date: N/A
<p>It is recommended that Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> That Philippa Turvey, Democratic and Constitutional Services Manager be appointed as the authority's Statutory Scrutiny Officer. 	

1. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- Peterborough City Council must appoint named individuals to particular roles, including the role of Statutory Scrutiny Officer.

2. BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

- Originally introduced by the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009, the requirement for English Councils to designate a 'Statutory' Scrutiny Officer can now be found at Section 9FB of the Local Government Act 2000 (the legislative framework having been altered by the Localism Act 2011).
- The Statutory Scrutiny Officer's role is: -
 - To promote the role of the authority's scrutiny Committee's;
 - To provide support to the authority's scrutiny function and members;
 - To provide guidance to members and officers of the Council in relation to scrutiny functions.
- The Statutory scrutiny officer cannot be the authority's Head of Paid Service, the Monitoring Officer or the Chief Finance Officer.
- Full Council is asked to appoint Philippa Turvey, Democratic and Constitutional Services Manager, as the authority's Statutory Scrutiny Officer.

3. CORPORATE PRIORITIES

- The recommendation links to the following Council Corporate Priorities: -

- How we Work
- How we Serve
- How we Enable

4. CONSULTATION

4.1 Consultation has taken place with the Monitoring Officer.

5. IMPLICATIONS

Financial Implications

5.1 None.

Legal Implications

5.2 Failure to ensure appointment to this role could lead to the Council being challenged for failing to meet its statutory duties.

6. APPENDICES

6.1 None.

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