



Report of: Acting Director of Law and Governance

Meeting of	Date	Ward(s)
Personnel Sub Committee	18 September 2020	All

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APPENDIX B TO THIS REPORT IS EXEMPT FROM PUBLICATION

Subject: APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBERS TO THE AUDIT COMMITTEE AND INDEPENDENT PERSON FOR STANDARDS

1. Synopsis

This report sets out the procedure for the appointment of independent members to the Audit Committee and Independent Person(s) to the Standards Committee and encloses at Appendix B copies of the applications received from candidates.

Following interviews the sub-committee is asked to recommend to Council to approve the appointment of successful candidates.

2. Recommendation

That the Sub-Committee recommend to Council the appointment of independent members to the Audit Committee and Independent Person(s) to the Standards Committee

3. Details

- 3.1 The current post-holders have served a four-year term of office that expires in September and October 2020 respectively. It is intended for the successful candidates to be formally appointed at the Annual Council meeting to be held on 24th September for a four year term.

- 3.2 The vacancies were publicised through the council’s website, email bulletin, and social media channels during August 2020. A copy of the information pack for the positions is set out at Appendix A. This includes the person specification criteria for both posts.
- 3.3 Two applications have been received for the Audit Committee and three were received for the Standards post.

4. Implications

4.1 Financial Implications

A meeting allowance of £121 per meeting is paid to Independent Members and the Independent Person. This is paid at the end of each financial year in one lump sum. The costs of this and the recruitment process will be met from within existing budget provision.

4.2 Legal Implications

The Localism Act 2011 requires that the Independent Person for Standards must be appointed through a process of public advertisement, application and appointment by Council.

4.3 Environmental Implications and contribution to achieving a net zero carbon Islington by 2030:

There are no environmental implications arising directly from this report.

4.4 Resident Impact Assessment

The council must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation, and to advance equality of opportunity, and foster good relations, between those who share a relevant protected characteristic and those who do not share it (section 149 Equality Act 2010). The council has a duty to have due regard to the need to remove or minimise disadvantages, take steps to meet needs, in particular steps to take account of disabled persons' disabilities, and encourage people to participate in public life. The council must have due regard to the need to tackle prejudice and promote understanding.

A resident impact assessment has not been carried out as it is not required in this instance. There are no direct impacts on local residents.

Appendices:

Appendix A – Applicant Information Pack

Appendix B – Individual Applications (exempt from publication)

Background papers: None.

Final Report Clearance

Signed by



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