

**ANNUAL COUNCIL:**

**21 MAY 2015**

**REPORT OF COUNTY CLERK & MONITORING OFFICER**

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**NOMINATION OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

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**Reasons for the Report.**

1. To consider and agree nominations to statutory and non-statutory outside bodies, and fill any vacancies that exist for 2015 /16 municipal year.

**Background**

2. The Constitution provides that the Council will, from time to time, receive nominations and make Member appointments as necessary to serve as representatives of the Council on outside bodies.

**Issues**

3. The Council is asked to consider and agree nominations to serve on bodies which are appointed on an annual basis as set out in Appendix A.
4. The Council is asked to noted that the allocated number of Cardiff representatives on the Welsh Local Government Association (WLGA) Council is based on one member of the Council for each 50,000 population or part thereof, which has increased from 7 to 8 in 2015/16 based on the latest official population estimate for the city (2013 Mid Year Estimate = 351,700). The WLGA Council Annual Meeting will be held on 19 June 2015.
5. Nominations for appointments to Outside Bodies are submitted by the Party Group Whips and a schedule detailing proposed nominations will be circulated as part of the Amendment Sheet at the Annual Council meeting.

## **Legal Implications**

6. The appointment of individuals to serve on outside bodies is a Local Choice function under the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Functions and Responsibilities) (Wales) Regulations 2007. In the approved Scheme of Delegations the Council has determined that responsibility for the proposed appointments shall rest with Full Council.

## **Financial Implications**

7. There are no financial implications arising as a direct consequence of this report.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Council is recommended to receive nominations for, and make appointments to, outside bodies as set out in Appendix A, and any further vacancies which may arise, as proposed by Party Group Whips in accordance with normal procedures.

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County Clerk & Monitoring Officer  
13 May 2015

## **Appendix**

Appendix A: Annual Nominations for Appointment to Outside Bodies 2015/16

## **Background Papers**

Register Appointments to Outside Bodies

Organisation	Aims of the Organisation	Number of Representatives	Notes
Cardiff Bus	Cardiff City Transport Services Ltd (otherwise known as Cardiff Bus) is a private limited company which is wholly owned by Cardiff Council. It was constituted as a Public Transport company within the mean of Section 72 of the Transport Act 1985 and the main purpose of the company is the provision of road passenger transport services.	7 Members (4 Labour, 2 Liberal Democrat, 1 Conservative)	
Local Government Association (LGA) General Assembly	The LGA is the membership organisation of local authorities in England and Wales and its mission is to support, promote and improve local government. The LGA General Assembly is the only LGA decision making forum which all local authorities in membership are eligible to attend and vote. The role of the General Assembly is to consider strategic policy of national significance to local government.	4 Members (including the Leader of the Council)	<p>The Council is entitled to appoint 4 representatives to the LGA General Assembly. The LGA also encourages those Authorities entitled to 3 or 4 representatives on the General Assembly to allocate one of those positions to Minority Group Leaders from their Authority.</p> <p>On the election of LGA Chair, Vice-Chairs and Deputy Chairs under Article 8.4 and on questions of estimated expenditure and subscriptions under Articles 21.1 and 21.2 of the Constitution, Welsh Authorities in corporate membership are entitled to 1 vote, which is usually exercised by the Leader or nominated substitute.</p> <p>On non-devolved matters directly relevant to their statutory duties and responsibilities, the Council is entitled to 7 votes based on population size. These votes are usually exercised by the Leader or nominated substitute.</p>

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			The Annual Meeting of the LGA General Assembly will be held on 30 June 2015 in Harrogate.
South Wales Fire & Rescue Authority	The Fire & Rescue Authority consists of 24 Councillors from the 10 local authorities which originally combined to form the Authority. The composition of the Authority is determined by the size of the electoral representation within each local authority and the political proportionality across the combined area.	5 Members (3 Labour, 1 Liberal Democrat & 1 Conservative)	
South Wales Police and Crime Panel	The Police and Crime Panel is responsible for overseeing the Police and Crime Commissioner and reviewing and scrutinising his decisions.	2 Members (1 Labour & 1 Liberal Democrat)	<p>The Panel is made up of 10 local Councillors, representing the 7 local authorities in South Wales, along with 2 co-opted independent members.</p> <p>Councillor representatives to the Police &amp; Crime Panel are appointed in line with the population size and the political balance of the 7 local authorities within the South Wales Police area. As a result, Cardiff, Swansea and RCT are entitled to 2 representatives.</p> <p>In 2015/16, a General Allowance will be paid subject to a Member's attendance at meetings/training events up to a maximum of 5 meetings/training events per year at an amount of £184 per attendance (max. £920.00 per year). If Members elect to receive this General Allowance, there will be no additional payment for travel and/or subsistence expenses. Alternatively, those Members who do not wish to receive the General Allowance may opt out and claim for travel and/or subsistence expenses.</p>

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Welsh Local Government Association (WLGA)	The WLGA aims to promote, protect, support and develop democratic local government in Wales and in particular the interests of Welsh unitary authorities and Associate Organisations in membership.		A Local Authority in full membership shall be entitled to appoint one member of the Council for each 50,000 population or part thereof.
(i) WLGA Council	The WLGA Council is the sovereign body of the Association and will primarily deal with the appointment of officers, constitutional and business issues. It will also have a deliberative role which can be utilised in the furtherance of WLGA policy.	8	<p>In 2015/16, Cardiff is entitled to <b>8</b> representatives on the WLGA Council, which does not need to reflect the requirements of political balance.</p> <p>The vote allocation is 8 votes which is usually exercised by the Leader or nominated substitute.</p>
(ii) WLGA Co-coordinating Committee		1	<p>The WLGA Council Annual Meeting is due to be held on 19 June 2015 in Swansea.</p> <p>The WLGA Co-ordinating Committee is comprised of one member appointed by each Member Council from among those members it has appointed to the WLGA Council (usually the Leader of the Council). The Co-ordinating Committee is the main policy and deliberative forum of the WLGA.</p>