

COUNCIL

7 MARCH 2024

REPORT OF INTERIM MONITORING OFFICER

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Reasons for the Report

1. To receive nominations and make appointments of Members to outside bodies to fill vacancies which have arisen.

Background

2. The appointment of representatives to outside bodies is reserved to full Council (unless the appointment is an executive function or is expressly and lawfully delegated) – Article 4.1(f) of the Constitution.
3. The Council at its Annual meeting on 25 May 2023 received nominations and agreed appointments of Members to serve on bodies which are required on an annual basis and other vacancies.
4. The Council from time to time receives nominations to vacancies that occur during the Municipal Year

Issues

5. The Council is asked to receive nominations and agree appointments of Members to serve on outside bodies which are required to fill vacancies which have arisen.
6. Nominations for appointments to Outside Bodies are submitted by the Party Group Whips.
7. Current Outside Bodies vacancies and nominations are set out below:

Table A

Name of Outside Body	Vacancy	Nomination Received
Cardiff Bus (formally, Cardiff City Transport Services Ltd)	1 vacancy	Cllr Mike Ash-Edwards
Wales Council for the Blind	1 vacancy	
Willie Seager Memorial Homes Trust	1 vacancy	

8. Further nominations to fill existing vacancies received from political groups prior to Full Council on 7 March 2024 will be report on the amendment sheet.

Legal Implications

9. The provisions for the Council to make appointments to outside bodies are set out within the constitution or other governing document of each outside body concerned. All appointments are to be made in accordance with the relevant governing provisions and Legal Services can provide any further advice requested in this regard.
10. 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 such appointments shall rest with Full Council, unless delegated or provided otherwise. Responsibility for appointments to the outside bodies listed rests with Full Council.
11. Guidance for Members appointed to outside bodies has been published by the WLGA explaining the roles and duties of Members in relation to both the outside body and the Council, including advice on managing potential conflicts of interest. The WLGA Guidance is accessible here: ([Appointments to Outside Bodies: The Councillor's Role - WLGA](#)) Further advice is available from Legal Services.

Financial Implications

12. There are no financial implications directly arising from this report

RECOMMENDATION

13. The Council is requested to receive nominations and approve appointments to outside bodies as set out in Table A and on the Amendment Sheet.

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