



Report to: Meeting of the Full Council - 18 July 2023

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Report Summary	
<b>Report Title</b>	Changes in Committee Membership
<b>Purpose of Report</b>	To advise Members of changes to Committee memberships.
<b>Recommendations</b>	<p>That Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) note the changes to Committee memberships on the Policy &amp; Performance Improvement and Planning Committees as detailed in the report;</li> <li>b) note the change in membership of the Mansfield &amp; District Joint Crematorium Committee;</li> <li>c) approve an amendment to the Constitution to enable all Newark Ward Members not appointed as voting members to sit on the Trustee Board of the Gilstrap Charity as non-voting co-optees; and</li> <li>d) agree that future changes to Committee membership will no longer be reported to Council for information.</li> </ul>
<b>Reason for Recommendation</b>	To note various changes in membership, ensure appropriate representation on the Trustee Board, and to streamline process for future.

## 1.0 **Background / Proposals**

1.1 Appointments to Committees were made at the Annual Council Meeting held on 23 May 2023. Since that meeting and the changes made to the Cabinet as advised at the previous item, some changes in committee memberships are now required as follows:

### **Policy & Performance Improvement Committee**

The Independents for Newark will replace Cllr Crosby as a substitute member, given she is now on the Cabinet, with Cllr Moore.

## **Planning Committee**

The Independents for Newark have indicated that they wish to replace Cllr Crosby with Cllr Amer.

## **Mansfield & District Crematorium Joint Committee**

A new executive appointment is required to replace Cllr Holloway. The Leader of the Council has advised that this will be Cllr Paul Taylor.

## **Board of the Gilstrap Trustees**

Members may recall that a minor amendment to the Constitution was approved at the Annual Meeting in order to remove the restriction of membership to Newark Ward Members, as this would have meant that the political balance requirements could not be met.

The Constitution currently allows for four non-voting members on the Trust which had previously meant that all Newark Ward Members could be appointed. However, there are now six Newark Ward Members who are not appointed as voting members. It is therefore proposed that the Constitution be amended to confirm that all other Newark Ward Members not appointed as voting members to sit on the Trust as non-voting co-optees.

## **Future Changes**

It is proposed that future changes to Committee membership will no longer be reported to Council for information. As per the requirements of the Council's Constitution, Part D – Section 3, Committee Procedure Rule No. 6.5 – Appointment to Committees:

- 6.5.1 any permanent change in membership must be notified to the Governance Team in Democratic Services no later than 4pm the day before the relevant meeting.
- 6.5.2 Democratic Services will ensure that all appointments to Committees are reported to the next meeting of the appropriate Committee.

## **2.0 Implications**

In writing this report and in putting forward recommendations, Officers have considered the following implications: Data Protection; Digital & Cyber Security; Equality & Diversity; Financial; Human Resources; Human Rights; Legal; Safeguarding and Sustainability; and where appropriate they have made reference to these implications and added suitable expert comment where appropriate.

## **Background Papers and Published Documents**

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

None