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Dear Councillor,

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of Wyre Borough Council to be held at the Civic Centre, Breck Road, Poulton-le-Fylde on <u>Thursday, 11 May 2017</u> commencing at 7.00 pm.

Yours sincerely.

Garry Payne Chief Executive

COUNCIL AGENDA

1. Prayers

The Mayor will invite the Mayor's Chaplain, Reverend Stephen Dunn to say prayers.

- 2. Apologies for absence
- 3. Declarations of Interest

To receive any declarations of interest from any Member or Officer on any item on this agenda.

- 4. Presentation of the HMS Sheraton Trophy
- 5. Election of Mayor for the 2017/18 Municipal Year
- 6. Election of Deputy Mayor for the 2017/18 Municipal Year
- 7. Mayor's Communications

8. Appointments to Committees, Panel and Groups 2017/18 (Pages 1 - 6)

Report of the Leader of the Council and the Chief Executive attached

9. Appointments to Outside Bodies

(Pages 7 - 10)

Report of the Leader of the Council and Service Director Performance and Innovation attached

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Report of:	Meeting	Date	Item no.
The Leader of the Council (Cllr Peter Gibson) and the Chief Executive (Garry Payne)	Annual Council	11 May 2017	8

Appointments to Committees, Panels and Groups 2017/18

1. Purpose of report

1.1 To enable Members to be appointed to the Council's Committees and other Panels and Groups for the 2017/18 Council Year.

2. Outcomes

2.1 Effective arrangements to carry out the Council's non-executive decision making and advisory functions.

3. Recommendations

- **3.1** That the appointments to Committees, Panels and Groups for 2017/18 as set out in Appendix 1 be approved.
- 3.2 That Councillor Berry is re-appointed as the Wyre Council representative on the Police and Crime Panel for Lancashire for 2017/18.
- 3.3 That, if confirmation is received that an additional Conservative representative from a District Council is required on the Police and Crime Panel for Lancashire for 2017/18, Councillor Gibson be nominated to fill that position.

4. Background

4.1 The Council Procedure Rules in Part 4 of the Constitution require that: "At the Annual Meeting, the Council will appoint at least one Overview and Scrutiny Committee, a Standards Committee and such other Committees as the Council considers appropriate to deal with matters, which are neither reserved to the Council, nor are Executive functions (as set out in Part 3 of the Constitution)."

- **4.2** Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act requires that the allocation of places on non-executive Committees of the Council must be allocated on the following criteria:
 - (a) that all seats on a body are not allocated to the same Political Group;
 - (b) that the majority of seats on a body is allocated to a particular Political Group, if the number of persons belonging to that Group is the majority of the Authority's membership;
 - (c) subject to paragraphs (a) and (b) above, that the number of seats on the ordinary Committees of a relevant Authority which are allocated to each Political Group bears the same proportion to the total of all the seats on the ordinary Committees of that Authority;
 - (d) subject to paragraphs (a) (c) above, that the number of seats on a body which are allocated to each Political Group bears the same proportion to the number of all seats on that body as is borne by the number of members of that Group in membership of the Authority.
- 4.3 Places on the committees, and also the panels and other groups currently established by the Council, as listed in Appendix 1, have been allocated on the basis of calculations made under the political balance rules set out above. However, the position is currently complicated because of the two vacancies on the Council following the resignation of Councillor Reeves and the death of Councillor T Taylor. A by-election is to be held in Bourne Ward, Thornton-Cleveleys on 4 May, i.e. after this report has been written, but before the date of the Annual Meeting. If the Labour candidate is elected to the Bourne Ward seat, it will have no significant impact on the political balance calculations and the allocation of seats set out in Appendix 1 will remain correct. Conservative candidate is elected in Bourne Ward, it would have a small impact on the allocation of seats overall and either another of the 14 Member Committees on which there is currently a 10-4 floor split would have to be split 11-3 (in addition to the Audit Committee) or, the Standards Committee, which is a 6 Member Committee, currently split 4-2, would have to be split 5-1. If that situation arises, the Party Group Leaders will be consulted before the Annual Meeting on where the adjustments can best be made and they will be invited to submit revised nominations. A date for a by-election to fill the vacancy in Rossall Ward, Fleetwood has not yet been fixed, but a further report will be submitted to the first Council meeting after it has taken place.
- 4.4 No appointments are to be made to the former Wyre 3 Tier Forum because it has not met for about two years and has effectively been disbanded by the County Council. If any proposals emerge to reestablish a similar or alternative consultative forum, a report will be submitted to a future Council meeting.

- **4.5** No changes are proposed to the roles or the terms of reference of any of the other Committees, panels or other groups.
- 4.6 Each council in Lancashire appoints one representative to the Police and Crime Panel (PCP), which is established as a formal Joint Committee of the 15 local authorities for the Lancashire police force area. The terms of reference of the Panel are set out under Responsibilities for Joint Functions in Part 3.04 of the Council's Constitution. Councillor Berry was appointed at the Annual Council meeting last year as the Wyre Council representative on the Panel for 2016/17. At the Council meeting on 7 July 2016, Cllr Gibson was nominated as a second representative and was subsequently appointed as a member of the PCP, to ensure that the required political balance of the Panel was achieved. It is anticipated that the same situation might arise this year. The Annual Meeting of the PCP is due to be held on 12 June 2017.

5. Key issues and proposals

5.1 The proposals set out in Appendix 1 reflect nominations made by the Leader of the Conservative Group. The Leader of the Labour Group has proposed that the existing Labour Members on the Planning Committee be re-appointed, with the addition of Cllr Lees to fill the current vacancy, so that its' members can attend the Planning Committee meeting on 7 June. No other nominations have yet been submitted because the Labour Party's national rules apparently prevent an annual meeting of the local Labour Group, at which such nominations are agreed, being held until after the General Election on 8 June.

Financial and legal implications		
Finance	None arising directly from this report.	
Legal	The proposals in this report are in accordance with legal requirements, as referred to in section 4 of this report.	

Other risks/implications: checklist

If there are significant implications arising from this report on any issues marked with a \checkmark below, the report author will have consulted with the appropriate specialist officers on those implications and addressed them in the body of the report. There are no significant implications arising directly from this report, for those issues marked with a x.

implications	√/x
community safety	Х
equality and diversity	Х
sustainability	Х
health and safety	Х

risks/implications	√/x
asset management	х
climate change	х
data protection	Х

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None	-	-	

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Appendix 1: Nominations to Committees, Panels and Groups 2017/18

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APPENDIX 1

NOMINATIONS TO COMMITTEES 2017/18 (Updated version 10/5/17)

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE (14)

Conservative Councillors (11)** Michael Vincent (Chairman)*, I Amos, Jones (Vice

Chairman)*, R Amos, C Birch, Ellison, Hodgkinson,

Ibison, Ormrod, Robinson and Matthew Vincent.

Labour Councillors (3)** E Anderton, Fail, Smith.

AUDIT COMMITTEE (14)

Conservative Councillors (11)** McKay (Chairman)*, A Turner (Vice Chairman)*,

R Amos, Ballard, Balmain, Greenhough, Holden,

Ingham, Moon, Walmsley and Wilson.

Labour Councillors (3)** E Anderton, Barrowclough and Fail.

EMPLOYMENT AND APPEALS COMMITTEE (10)

Conservative Councillors (7) A Turner (Chairman)*, Robinson (Vice-Chairman)*,

R Amos, B Birch, Bridge, Holden, and Wilson

Labour Councillors (3) I Duffy, R Duffy, Shewan.

PLANNING COMMITTEE (14)

Conservative Councillors (10) Greenhough (Chairman)*, S Turner (Vice Chairman)*,

I Amos, R Amos, Ballard, Holden, Ingham, Jones,

Moon and Orme.

Labour Councillors (4) Lees, Shewan, B Stephenson and E Stephenson.

LICENSING COMMITTEE (14)

Conservative Councillors (10) Bridge (Chairman)*, C Birch, Catterall, Ormrod,

Pimbley, Robinson, A Turner, Matthew Vincent,

Walmsley and Wilson.

Labour Councillors (4) M Anderton, Barrowclough, Lees, Smith.

STANDARDS COMMITTEE (6)

Conservative Councillors (4) B Birch (Chairman)*, I Amos, Moon, Michael Vincent.

Labour Councillors (2) M Anderton, Lees.

SENIOR OFFICERS APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE (4)

Conservative Councillors (3) Gibson, A Vincent and Murphy.

Labour Councillors (1) Beavers.

APPOINTMENTS TO PANELS AND GROUPS 2017/18

COUNCILLOR DEVELOPMENT GROUP (12) (including 1 Cabinet Member)

A Cabinet Member Cllr Murphy (Chairman) *

Conservative Councillors (8) C Birch, Holden, Jones, Kay, A. Turner, S. Turner,

Matthew Vincent, Walmsley.

Labour Councillors (3) Smith, B. Stephenson, E. Stephenson.

<u>PLANNING POLICY GROUP (12)</u> + Planning and Economic Development Portfolio Holder & Chairman & Vice-Chairman of Planning Committee

The Planning and Economic Cllr Murphy

Development Portfolio Holder

The Chairman of the Planning Cllr Greenhough (Chairman)* (if reappointed as

Committee Chairman of the Planning Committee)

Vice-Chairman of the Planning Cllr S Turner (if reappointed as Vice-Chairman of

Committee the Planning Committee)

Plus 12 Councillors (ideally including 2 Councillors from each of the areas identified in the Local Plan, i.e. Fleetwood, Thornton, Cleveleys, Poulton, Rural East and Rural West) and including at least 2 opposition Councillors.

Conservative Councillors (9) I Amos, Lady Atkins, Ballard (Vice-Chairman)*, B

Birch, Ingham, Jones, Moon, Pimbley, Robinson

Labour Councillors (3) I Duffy, R Duffy, Fail.

Note: * The appointment of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen is subject to confirmation at the first meeting of each of the Committees, Panels and Groups.

** Adjusted to ensure that the allocation of the total number of places on all committees complies with the political balance rules (as set out in paragraph 4.2 of this report).

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Report of:	Meeting	Date	Item no.
The Leader of the Council (Cllr Peter Gibson) and the Service Director Performance and Innovation (Marianne Hesketh)	Annual Council	11 May 2017	9

Outside Body Appointments

1. Purpose of report

1.1 To enable the Council to consider the appointment of representatives to fill vacancies on four outside bodies.

2. Outcomes

2.1 Effective representation of the Council on outside bodies.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 That a councillor to be nominated by the Conservative Group be appointed as a representative of the Council, on the Volunteer Centre Blackpool, Wyre and Fylde for the period until the next Council elections in May 2019.
- That a Councillor to be nominated by the Labour Group and to be notified to the Chief Executive as soon as possible be appointed as the Council's representative on each of the following organisations for the period until the elections in May 2019:
 - Fielden Fleetwood Charity
 - Fleetwood Neighbourhood Watch Association
 - Wyre Council/Regenda Partnership Group.

4. Background

4.1 At the Annual Council meeting held on 21 May 2015, appointments were made to the various bodies on which the Council is invited to be represented. Those appointments were made for a four year period until the next Council elections in May 2019, unless any changes are required or are requested in the meantime. Four changes need to be made at this Annual Meeting.

- **4.2** Councillor Lynn Walmsley has asked that a replacement representative be appointed to the Volunteer Centre Blackpool, Wyre and Fylde. The Council appoints a single representative to that organisation.
- 4.3 The late Councillor Ted Taylor was the Council's representative and also a Trustee on the Fielden Fleetwood Charity. (The other trustees, who are not appointed by the Council, are Mr D Lund, Miss E Anderton and Mr R Newson).
- **4.4** The late Councillor Ted Taylor was also the Council's single representative on the Fleetwood Neighbourhood Watch Association.
- 4.5 Former Councillor Natalie Reeves was one of the Council's three representatives on the Wyre Council/Regenda Housing Association Partnership Group. Following her resignation as a Councillor, a replacement representative is required. The Council's other representatives on the Partnership Group are Councillors Balmain and Bowen.

5. Key issues and proposals

- 5.1 Under the longstanding procedure for the appointment of representatives on outside bodies, which takes account of both political balance and geographical considerations, the nomination to fill the vacancy on the Volunteer Centre Blackpool, Wyre and Fylde is to be made by the Conservative Group. The nominations to the other three bodies on which there are vacancies are to be made by the Labour Group.
- 5.2 The Conservative Group nominee to represent the Council on the Volunteer Centre Blackpool, Wyre and Fylde will be reported at the Council Meeting. The Labour Group has indicated that it will not be able to submit its nominations to fill the vacancies on the other three outside bodies on which there are vacancies until after its Annual Meeting which, following the announcement of a General Election on 8 June, will not take place until after this meeting.

Financial and legal implications						
Finance	None ar	ising direc	tly from this repo	rt.		
Legal	The prequirer	•	appointments	comply	with	legal

Other risks/implications: checklist

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equality and diversity	х
sustainability	Х
health and safety	Х

risks/implications	√/x
asset management	х
climate change	х
data protection	Х

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None	-	-	

List of appendices

None

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