

Allerdale Borough Council

Council – 17 July 2019

**Changes to Committee Memberships and Outside Body Representation**

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<b>The Reason for the Decision</b>	<p>To approve a change to the membership of the Audit Committee to replace Councillor Paul Scott</p> <p>To appoint a member to serve as the Council's representative on the Cumbria Health Scrutiny Committee outside body, to replace Councillor Carole Armstrong</p>
<b>Recommendations</b>	<p>That Councillor Paul Scott be replaced by Councillor Adrian Kirkbride on the Audit Committee</p> <p>That a nomination be sought for a Council representative to serve on the Cumbria Health Scrutiny Committee outside body, to replace Councillor Carole Armstrong</p>
<b>Financial / Resource Implications</b>	<p>Travel/subsistence will be met from within the existing budget</p>
<b>Legal / Governance Implications</b>	<p>The legal implications are set out in the report</p>
<b>Community Safety Implications</b>	<p>There are no community safety implications arising from this report</p>
<b>Health and Safety and Risk Management Implications</b>	<p>There no health and safety and Risk Management implications arising from this report</p>
<b>Equality Duty considered / Impact Assessment completed</b>	<p>The Equality Duty has been considered</p>
<b>Wards Affected</b>	<p>All</p>
<b>The contribution this decision would make to the Council's priorities</b>	<p>These appointments enable councillors to make a contribution to the good governance of significant bodies affecting the well-being of the community</p>
<b>Is this a Key Decision</b>	<p>No</p>

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**Report Implications**

Community Safety	N	Financial	N
Legal	Y	Partnership	Y
Social Inclusion	N	Asset Management	N
Equality Duty	N	Health and Safety	N
Employment (internal)	N	Employment (external to the Council)	N

**Background Papers** .... Guidance – The Roles and Responsibilities of Members and Officers Appointed to Outside Bodies .....

**1.0 Introduction**

**Audit Committee**

- 1.1 Appointments to committee memberships are made in accordance with the politically proportionate provisions of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.
- 1.2 A replacement is required for Councillor Paul Scott on the Audit Committee from the Allerdale Independent Group.
- 1.3 The Allerdale Independent Group has nominated Councillor Adrian Kirkbride as a replacement for Councillor Paul Scott.

**Cumbria Health Scrutiny Committee Outside Body**

- 1.4 Appointment of members to outside bodies provides support to the organisation concerned and enables members to fulfil their community leadership roles. Appointments made should be sensitive to the need to represent as far as possible the diverse nature of the local community.
- 1.5 Councillor Carole Armstrong was appointed to this outside body at the Annual Meeting on 22 May 2019 for a one year term, but due to other commitments has since asked that she be replaced.

- 1.6 The Council has one main representative on this outside body and 2 substitute members, substitute members are currently Councillors O. Martin and S. Stoddart.
- 1.7 Council is therefore asked to appoint a member representative to serve on the Cumbria Health Scrutiny Committee outside body.

## **2.0 Finance/resource implications**

- 2.1 Those members formally appointed to external organisations as the Council's representative are able to claim expenses in accordance with the Councillors Allowance Scheme. These costs can be met from existing resources.

## **3.0 Legal Implications and risks**

- 3.1 Appointments to committees must be made in accordance with the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.
- 3.2 Appointments to Outside Bodies may be made under the general power in Section 2 of the Local Government Act 2000, to do anything which is likely to promote the economic, social or environmental wellbeing of the area, unless specifically prohibited.

## **4.0 Recommendations**

- 4.1 That Councillor Paul Scott be replaced by Councillor Adrian Kirkbride on the Audit Committee
- 4.2 That a nomination be sought for a Council representative to serve on the Cumbria Health Scrutiny Committee outside body, to replace Councillor Carole Armstrong.

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