

APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES

Report of the Head of Law and Governance

1.0 Introduction

1.1 The purpose of this report is to approve appointments to the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Authority, Together for Children – Sunderland, approve nominations for appointment to the Parker Trust CIO, make appointments to the Health Scrutiny Joint Committee between South Tyneside and Sunderland Local Authorities and to a number of organisations as a result of changes to the Senior Management structure of the Council.

2.0 Appointments to the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Authority

2.1 At the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 18 May, 2016, Councillor M. Turton was appointed to the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Authority.

2.2 Councillor Turton has subsequently advised that she is no longer able to serve on the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Authority and Council is asked to consider a replacement Member from the Majority Party to serve on the Authority.

3.0 Appointments to Together for Children – Sunderland

3.1 Following advertisement and subsequent recruitment for three Non-Executive Directors, Council is asked to approve the appointment of the following to the Board of Together for Children – Sunderland:

3.1.1 Mr Mike Dillon - has worked for a number of local authorities and played a significant part in the post-intervention recovery of two of them. Mr Dillon has a wealth of experience in working to turn around failing schools. Since retirement in 2011, he has worked for a number of charitable organisations.

3.1.2 Professor Peter Fidler – President of Sunderland University. Responsible to the Board of Governors for a portfolio supporting the transition to the appointment of the next University Vice Chancellor and with special responsibility for key international and transnational strategic partnerships and The University's London campus.

- 3.1.3 Ms Fiona Standfield – Specialist Lay Member: First-tier Tribunal at Ministry of Justice. Ms Standfield has until recently, been the North East Programme Director for Safe Families for Children which is a volunteer-led organisation supporting families in crisis, helping to prevent children from going into care.

4.0 Appointment of Trustees to the Parker Memorial Home Charity

- 4.1 The Council is the sole nominating body in relation to the appointment of Trustees to the Parker Memorial Home Charity.
- 4.2 The Charity intends to update its structure by forming a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) known as Parker Trust, in its place. Under the proposed constitution of the Parker Trust CIO, the Council will retain its status as sole nominating body, with the ability to nominate 11 Trustees.
- 4.3 Council is recommended to approve the nominations of Councillor P. Watson, Councillor M. Speding, Councillor H. Trueman, Councillor C. Gofton, Councillor K. Waters, Councillor E. Ball, Councillor A. Wilson, Councillor S. Foster, Councillor P. Walker, Councillor T. Wright and Councillor N. Wright (who are the current Trustees of the Charity) for appointment to the Parker Trust CIO.

5.0 Appointments to the Health Scrutiny Joint Committee between South Tyneside and Sunderland Local Authorities

- 5.1 A report recommending the establishment of a Health Scrutiny Joint Committee with South Tyneside Council in relation to reconfiguration proposals of South Tyneside and Sunderland Health Care Group and setting out a protocol and terms of reference that provide a framework for the operation of the Committee is included elsewhere on the agenda.
- 5.2 The Council is asked to appoint 7 representatives (6 Majority Party; 1 Majority Party in Opposition) from the Scrutiny Committees to serve on the Health Scrutiny Joint Committee between South Tyneside and Sunderland Local Authorities.

6.0 Appointments Resulting from Changes to Senior Management Structure

- 6.1 Following the departure of the former Executive Directors of Commercial Development and Enterprise Development, Council is asked to consider replacement appointments to the following organisations:-

- Local Authority Trading Company for Place Management Services
- Siglion LLP and its subsidiaries Siglion Investments LLP, Siglion Developments LLP, Siglion Nominee Ltd
- Sunderland AFC Foundation Partnership Board
- Sunderland Lifestyle Partnership Board
- Sunderland Live Ltd
- UK Events Live Limited

7.0 Recommendations

7.1 The Council is accordingly recommended to:-

- (i) appoint Councillor D. Waller to replace Councillor M. Turton to serve on the Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Authority;
- (ii) appoint Mr Mike Dillon, Professor Peter Fidler and Ms Fiona Standfield as Non-Executive Directors to the Board of Together for Children – Sunderland;
- (iii) approve the nominations of the Councillors listed in paragraph 4.3 as existing Trustees of the Charity for appointment to the Parker Trust CIO;
- (iv) to appoint 7 representatives from the Scrutiny Committees to serve on the Health Scrutiny Joint Committee between South Tyneside and Sunderland Local Authorities; and
- (v) consider replacement appointments to the organisations detailed in paragraph 6.1.

