



REPORT OF:	CHIEF EXECUTIVE
TO:	ANNUAL COUNCIL
ON:	21st May 2015

COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS FOR 2015/16

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

To make Council appointments for 2015/16.

2. ANNUAL COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

At the Annual Meeting of the Council each year, Council notes the appointment of various Members as well as appointing Chairs and Vice Chairs to Committees.

At this year's Annual Council meeting the Council is also required to confirm the Leader of the Council under the Strong Leader model following the recent Leadership changes. The Strong Leader model was adopted at Policy Council on 3rd December 2009 (Minute No.62 refers).

The Council is requested to:

1. Confirm Councillor Mohammed Khan as Leader of the Council with effect from the date of Annual Council, 21st May 2015.
2. Subject to 1. above note the Leader's appointment of the Executive Board Members;
3. Note the Shadow Portfolio Members; and
4. Appoint Chairs, Vice Chairs and Members to the following Committees:
 - Policy and Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee
 - Regeneration & Neighbourhoods Overview & Scrutiny Committee
 - Children and Young People Overview & Scrutiny Committee
 - Health and Adults Overview and Scrutiny Committee
 - Planning & Highways Committee
 - Licensing Committee
 - Audit Committee
 - Standards Committee

The Policy and Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee include within their membership, two Diocesan and three parent-governor co-opted members who have voting rights and are separately appointed by their respective Bodies.

The Licensing Committee has established Sub-Committees consisting of three members of the Committee to deal with licensing applications. A rota of Members is drawn up with the Chair or Vice Chair leading each Sub-Committee meeting.

In light of Members feedback, training for Councillors on Chairing meetings will be delivered in June 2015 by North West Employers and all Members are urged to take up this valuable training opportunity.

3 MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES

Members of the Executive Board cannot serve on any Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Political parties make nominations to the Committees listed in 2 above. Places are allocated in line with the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (ss.15-17) as regards proportionality. Political Group nominations will be circulated prior to the meeting of Annual Council.

4 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1) That Councillor Mohammed Khan be appointed to serve a four year term as Leader of the Council (or until earlier expiry in accordance with the Constitution).
- 2) That subject to 1) above, Council notes the appointment of the Executive Board Members;
- 3) That Council notes the Shadow Portfolio Members;
- 4) That appointments be made to the positions detailed in Paragraph 2, subsection 2; and
- 5) That Council note the provisions relating to political balance, referred to in Paragraph 3.

(Note: That in the event the Group nominations are not available before the Annual Meeting the decisions on appointment of Members to Committees can be delegated to the Group Leaders to agree the appointments).

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13th May 2015**

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