



REPORT TO: COUNCIL FORUM

FROM: LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

DATE: 28th April 2011

PORTFOLIOS AFFECTED: All

WARDS AFFECTED: All

TITLE OF REPORT	THE MAYORALTY 2011/12
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1. PURPOSE

To consider recommendations relating to the office of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for 2011/12.

2. NOMINATION TO THE MAYORALTY

2.1 Annual Council formally appoints Members of the Council to the office of Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the forthcoming Municipal year. The Member appointed to the position of Deputy Mayor is normally appointed to the office of Mayor in the following year.

2.2 At the meeting of the Council Forum held on 29th January 2009 (Minute No.77 refers), it was agreed that the rotation of the nomination to the Office of Mayor between the political groups based on proportionality of the Council would continue, and the rotation for the next five years was agreed as follows:

2010/11 Partnership
 2011/12 Partnership
 2012/13 Labour
 2013/14 Labour
 2014/15 Partnership

2.3 The proportionality of the Council changed in September 2010 following the Extraordinary Meeting of the Council, when the Labour/Independent Alignment gained control of the Council, and it is also noted that the Conservative/Liberal Democrat/For Darwen Partnership (known as the Alliance) has formally dissolved, and it is therefore suggested that the Leaders' of Political Groups meet after the Election to draw up a new agreement for 2012/13 onwards.

2.4 It is suggested that for 2011/12, nominations for Mayor and Deputy Mayor be invited at the Council Forum meeting on 28th April 2011.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 That for 2011/12, nominations for Mayor and Deputy Mayor be invited at the Council Forum meeting on 28th April 2011; and

3.2 That the Leaders' of Political Groups meet after the Election in May to draw up a new agreement for 2012/13 onwards.

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