

## AUDIT AND ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE 2 DECEMBER 2010

Report of the Interim Strategic Director of Resources

# APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL FOR MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES

#### **SUMMARY**

1. This report asks the Committee to approve appointments to the Council's Independent Remuneration Panel for Members' Allowances.

#### RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To reappoint Ian Samways and Martyn Holden to the Independent Remuneration Panel for Members' Allowances for further three year periods from 1 January 2011.
- 2.2 To confirm Ian Samways as Chair of the Panel for a further three year period from 1 January 2011.
- 2.3 To appoint Geoff Seymour to the vacant position on the Panel for the remaining period of the term of office, i.e. until 31 December 2011.

#### REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

3. The recommendations ensure continuity of appointments to the Independent Remuneration Panel.

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 4.1 One of the delegated powers of the Audit and Accounts Committee is to 'carry out all powers and duties in respect of appointments to the Independent Remuneration Panel for Members' Allowances.' There are seven members of the Panel comprising individual members and nominees of partner organisations. The Committee has previously agreed that members of the Panel will serve for a three year term and be eligible for reappointment. For continuity purposes, the terms of office are staggered.
- 4.2 The current membership of the Panel is as follows:

Name	Nomination	Term of Office Expires on 31 December
Ian Samways (Chair)	Individual Member	2010
Martyn Holden	University of Derby	2010
Sue Holmes (Vice Chair)	Millennium Network	2011

Vacancy	Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Chamber of Commerce	2011
Arthur Burns	Individual Member	2012
Gill Taylor	Individual Member	2012
Helen Foord	Derby City Partnership	2013

- 4.3 Ian Samways and Martyn Holden have indicated that they are willing to continue for further three year periods of office and the Committee is asked to approve their reappointment. Ian is a former senior officer with ACAS and has served on Amber Valley Borough Council's Independent Remuneration Panel. Martyn is the Human Resources Director at the University of Derby.
- 4.4 Ian Samways is the Chair of the Panel and is also willing to continue in that capacity.
- 4.5 Members will observe that there is a vacancy on the Panel for a representative of the Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber has now nominated Geoff Seymour to fill that vacancy and the Committee is asked to approve his appointment for the remainder of the term of office for that vacancy. Geoff runs a telecommunications company Bluusky Connections.

#### **OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

5. None.

Legal officerOlu IdowuFinancial officerN/AHuman Resources OfficerN/AService Directors(s)Stuart Leslie

Other(s)

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Background papers: None

**List of appendices:** Appendix 1 – Implications

#### **IMPLICATIONS**

#### **Financial**

1. The cost of attendance and travel and subsistence allowances paid to members of the Independent Remuneration Panel are met from existing budgets.

#### Legal

2. The requirements for Independent Remuneration Panels are prescribed in regulations and statutory guidance.

#### Personnel

3. None directly arising.

#### **Equalities Impact**

4. Recruitment to the individual member positions on the Panel is by open advertisement and applications from under-represented groups are positively welcomed.

#### **Health and Safety**

5. None directly arising.

#### **Carbon Commitment**

6. None directly arising.

#### Value for money

7. None directly arising.

### Corporate objectives and priorities for change

8. None directly arising.