

Appointment of members of the Independent Remuneration Panel for Members' Allowances

SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report asks the Committee to approve appointments to the Council's Independent Remuneration Panel for Members' Allowances.
- 1.2 A recent review of term dates has highlighted that two of the panel members terms expired in December 2011, with a further two having expired in December 2012

RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 To reappoint Arthur Burns, Sue Holmes, Geoff Seymour and Gill Taylor to the Independent Remuneration Panel for Members' Allowances for three year periods to expire in December 2015

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION

- 3.1 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	2014
Martyn Holden	University of Derby	2014
Sue Holmes (Vice Chair)	Voluntary Sector	2011
Geoff Seymour	Derbys. & Notts. Chamber of Commerce	2011
Arthur Burns	Individual Member	2012

Gill Taylor	Individual Member	2012
Helen Foord	Derby City Partnership	2013

4.3 All four have indicated that they are willing to continue for further three year periods of office and the Committee is asked to approve their reappointment. Sue Holmes was formerly listed as representing the Millennium Network, but this would now more appropriately be listed as the Voluntary Sector. Geoff Seymour became a member of the panel in 2010 to fill a vacancy for the Chamber of Commerce and has attended every meeting since his appointment. Geoff runs a telecommunications company Bluesky Connections

OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

5.1 None

This report has been approved by the following officers:

Legal officer	Janie Berry, Director of Legal and Democratic Services
Financial officer	N/A
Human Resources officer	N/A
Estates/Property officer	N/A
Service Director(s)	Janie Berry, Director of Legal and Democratic Services
Other(s)	Philip O'Brien, Secretary to the Independent Remuneration Panel

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Background papers:	None
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 – Implications

IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

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

Legal

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

Personnel

- 3.1 None directly arising.

Equalities Impact

- 4.1 Recruitment to the individual member positions on the Panel is by open advertisement as and when vacancies arise and applications from under-represented groups are positively welcomed.

Health and Safety

- 5.1 None directly arising.

Environmental Sustainability

- 6.1 None directly arising.

Property and Asset Management

- 7.1 None directly arising.

Risk Management

- 8.1 None directly arising.

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

- 9.1 None directly arising.

