

Report of	Meeting	Date
Director of Governance (Introduced by Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member (Strategy and Reform))	Cabinet	Wednesday, 18 January 2023

Nomination of Mayor-elect and Deputy Mayor-elect 2023/2024

Is this report confidential?	No
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Is this decision key?	No
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Purpose of the Report

1. The purpose of this report is to allow Cabinet to nominate the Mayor-elect and Deputy Mayor-elect for 2023/2024 (with a view to becoming Mayor 2024/2025) for submission to Full Council.

Recommendations

Cabinet agrees:

2. that Councillor Chris Lomax be nominated as Mayor-elect for 2023/2024; and
3. the nomination of Deputy Mayor-elect for 2023/2024 with a view to becoming Mayor in 2024/2025 be put forward by the Conservative Group at the meeting.

Reasons for recommendations

4. To ensure that the Mayor is appointed by the Council for the next municipal year.

Other options considered and rejected

5. Not applicable as legally we must appoint a Mayor to chair council meetings and undertake the required duties within the Council's constitution.

Corporate priorities

6. The report relates to the following corporate priorities: (Please bold one)

An exemplary council	Thriving communities
A fair local economy that works for everyone	Good homes, green spaces, healthy places

Background to the report

7. Each year Cabinet nominates to Council the Mayor-elect and Deputy Mayor-elect for the following municipal year (May to May).
8. Traditionally the Deputy Mayor becomes Mayor-elect is nominated and a new Deputy Mayor-election is nominated.
9. Last year the Council agreed a protocol for selecting Mayors based on a combination of rotating around the political groups and length of service on the Council.

Nomination of Mayor-elect and Deputy Mayor-elect

10. It is proposed that Councillor Chris Lomax be nominated as Mayor-elect for the 2023-2024 municipal year.
11. The nomination for Deputy Mayor-elect for 2023-2024 with a view to becoming Mayor-elect from 2024-2025 is to be put forward by the Conservative Group at the Cabinet meeting.
12. Nominations are subject to the council elections in May.

Climate change and air quality

13. The work noted in this report does not impact the climate change and sustainability targets of the Council's Green Agenda and all environmental considerations are in place.

Equality and diversity

14. None as a result of this report.

Risk

15. None as a result of this report.

Comments of the Statutory Finance Officer

16. There are no financial implications as a result of this report as the costs associated with the Mayoralty are already included within the Council's budgets.

Comments of the Monitoring Officer

17. This report meets statutory and constitutional requirements.

Background documents

None.

Appendices

None.

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