

Report of	Meeting	Date
Director of Governance and Monitoring Officer (Introduced by Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member (Policy, Reform and Communications))	Council	Wednesday, 20 September 2023

### Committee appointments

Is this report confidential?	No
Is this decision key?	Not applicable

### Purpose of the Report

- To seek the Council's approval for a number of changes to Committee appointments and to note updated titles for two Cabinet portfolios.

### Recommendations to Council

- Councillor Matthew Tomlinson to become a members of the Shared Services Joint Committee Appointments Panel and Councillor Ian Watkinson becoming a reserve.
- Councillor Ian Watkinson to become a member of the Shared Services Joint Committee with Councillor Paul Foster becoming a reserve.
- Councillor Clare Hunter to become member of the Chorley & South Ribble Partnership Executive in place of Councillor Paul Foster.
- To approve the substitutions for the Liberal Democrat group.
- To note the updated titles for two Cabinet portfolio titles.

### Reasons for recommendations

- To enable members to contribute to decision-making.

### Other options considered and rejected

- No other options were considered.

## Corporate priorities

7. The report relates to the following corporate priorities:

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

## Background to the report

8. Committee appointments were made at the Annual Meeting in May, however, the addition of a Cabinet Member to the Shared Services Appointments Panel was approved mid-year and not picked up in May.
9. Some of the substitutes for the Liberal Democrat group were not presented at the Annual Meeting, and so, need to be approved.

## Shared Services Joint Committee Appointments Panel

10. In February 2022 the membership of the Shared Services Joint Appointments Panel was adjusted to include one additional Cabinet Member from each council, in recognition of the central role that shared services now plays in the appointment of Chief Officers. It is proposed that Councillor Matthew Tomlinson become a member of the panel and Councillor Ian Watkinson becoming a reserve.

## Shared Services Joint Committee

11. Councillor Ian Watkinson to become a member of the Shared Services Joint Committee with Councillor Paul Foster becoming a reserve.

## Chorley & South Ribble Partnership

12. Councillor Clare Hunter to become member of the Chorley & South Ribble Partnership Executive in place of Councillor Paul Foster.

## Liberal Democrat group substitutions

13. The following substitutes are to be appointed:

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Councillor</b>
Corporate, Performance & Budget Scrutiny Committee	Councillor Ange Turner
Community & External Scrutiny Committee	Councillor David Howarth

## Updates to Cabinet portfolio titles

14. Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member (Policy, Reform and Communications) is to be updated to Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member (Strategy and Reform) and the Cabinet Member (Wealth building, social justice, equality & diversity) is to be updated to Cabinet Member (Community wealth building, social justice, equality & diversity).

### **Climate change and air quality**

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

### **Equality and diversity**

16. Members must be aware of the implications of the Equality Act within their role and will receive training for this.

### **Risk**

17. The proposals set out in this report will ensure that appointments are made to the various Committees in accordance with the Local Government and Housing Act 1989. Failure to meet the legislative requirements would leave the Council's decisions open to challenge.

### **Comments of the Statutory Finance Officer**

18. There are no direct financial implications of this report.

### **Comments of the Monitoring Officer**

19. The proposals are in accordance with the relevant legislation. There are no concerns from a legal perspective.

### **Background documents**

There are no background papers to this report.

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