

**North East Derbyshire District Council**

**Annual Council**

**22 May 2023**

**ELECTION OF THE CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL**

**Report of the Assistant Director of Governance and Monitoring Officer**

**Classification:** This report is public

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**PURPOSE / SUMMARY**

To elect the Chair of the Council

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**RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. That a Chair of the Council be elected.

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**IMPLICATIONS**

**Finance and Risk:** Yes  No

**Details:**

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On Behalf of the Section 151 Officer

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**Legal (including Data Protection):** Yes  No

**Details:**

On Behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

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**Staffing:** Yes  No

**Details:**

On behalf of the Head of Paid Service

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## DECISION INFORMATION

<b>Decision Information</b>	
<b>Is the decision a Key Decision?</b> A Key Decision is an executive decision which has a significant impact on two or more District wards or which results in income or expenditure to the Council above the following thresholds:  <b>NEDDC:</b> <b>Revenue - £100,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Capital - £250,000 <input type="checkbox"/></b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Please indicate which threshold applies</i>	No
<b>Is the decision subject to Call-In?</b> (Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)	No
<b>District Wards Significantly Affected</b>	All
<b>Consultation:</b> <b>Leader / Deputy Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Cabinet <input type="checkbox"/></b> <b>SMT <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant Service Manager <input type="checkbox"/></b> <b>Members <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/></b>	Yes Group Leaders

<b>Links to Council Plan priorities, including Climate Change, Equalities, and Economics and Health implications.</b>
Good Governance

## REPORT DETAILS

### 1. The Election of the Chair of the Council

- 1.1 Annual Council is asked to elect a Councillor to be the Chair of the Council for the 2023-24 Municipal Year. Nominations to the post will be taken at today's meeting.
- 1.2 Under the Council's Constitution the Chair of the Council and the Vice-Chair will be elected annually by the Council Meeting. The functions of the Chair, and in their absence the Vice-Chair, are:-
- (1) To uphold and promote the purposes of the Constitution;
  - (2) To decide what the Constitution means if there is a dispute;
  - (3) To chair Council Meetings so that decisions can be taken efficiently, with regard to the rights of Councillors and the interests of the community;

- (4) To make sure that Council Meetings are a place for debating matters of concern to the local community and the place at which members who are not on the Cabinet are able to hold the Cabinet to account;
- (5) To promote public involvement in the Council's activities and in the democratic process;
- (6) To attend those civic and ceremonial functions which they or the Council consider appropriate; and
- (7) To approve as urgent decisions, which will not be subject to Call In, when the Chairman of the relevant Scrutiny Committee is unavailable.

**2 Reasons for Recommendation**

- 2.1 To elect a Chair of the Council, as required by the Council's Constitution.

**3 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection**

- 3.1 None

**DOCUMENT INFORMATION**

Appendix No	Title
	None
<b>Background Papers</b> (These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when preparing the report. They must be listed in the section below. If the report is going to Cabinet you must provide copies of the background papers)	