

North East Derbyshire District Council

Annual Council

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ELECTION OF THE VICE-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 appoint the Vice-Chair of the Council

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That a Vice-Chair of the Council be appointed.
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IMPLICATIONS

Finance and Risk: Yes No

Details:

On Behalf of the Section 151 Officer

Legal (including Data Protection): Yes No

Details:

On Behalf of the Solicitor to the Council

Staffing: Yes No

Details:

On behalf of the Head of Paid Service

DECISION INFORMATION

Decision Information	
Is the decision a Key Decision? 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: NEDDC: Revenue - £100,000 <input type="checkbox"/> Capital - £250,000 <input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>Please indicate which threshold applies</i>	No
Is the decision subject to Call-In? (Only Key Decisions are subject to Call-In)	No
District Wards Significantly Affected	All
Consultation: Leader / Deputy Leader <input type="checkbox"/> Cabinet <input type="checkbox"/> SMT <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant Service Manager <input type="checkbox"/> Members <input type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes Group Leaders

Links to Council Plan priorities, including Climate Change, Equalities, and Economics and Health implications.

REPORT DETAILS

1 The Election of a Leader

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

- (v) To promote public involvement in the Council’s activities and in the democratic process;
- (vi) To attend those civic and ceremonial functions which they or the Council consider appropriate; and
- (vii) To approve as urgent decisions, which will not be subject to Call In, when the Chairman of the relevant Scrutiny Committee is unavailable.

2. Nominations

2.1 The Majority Group has nominated Councillor Christine Smith to serve as Vice Chair of the Council for the 2024-25 Municipal Year.

3 Reasons for Recommendation

3.1 To elect a Vice-Chair of the Council.

4 Alternative Options and Reasons for Rejection

4.1 None

DOCUMENT INFORMATION

Appendix No	Title
	None
Background Papers (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)	
All – Good Governance is basic requirement for the successful functioning of the Council and achieving the Council Plan Objectives	