



**Annual Council**

**8 May 2017**

**Subject: Appointment of Independent Member to the Governance and Audit Committee**

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Purpose / Summary:

To appoint Independent Members to serve on the  
Governance and Audit Committee.

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

- 1) That the persons named in paragraph 3 be appointed to serve on the Governance and Audit Committee with immediate effect and up to the Annual Meeting of Council in May 2015.**

**IMPLICATIONS**

**Legal: None related to this report.**

**Financial : [FIN-16-18](#)**  
**There will be a payment of £60 for the first four hours of attendance and a second payment for attendance in excess of four hours. This can be met from the existing budget for payment to Members.**

**Staffing : None related to this report.**

**Equality and Diversity including Human Rights :**  
N/A

**Risk Assessment : N/A**

**Climate Related Risks and Opportunities : None related to this report.**

**Title and Location of any Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:**

**Call in and Urgency:**

**Is the decision one which Rule 14 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules apply?**

**Yes**

**No**

**Key Decision:**

**Yes**

**No**

## **1. Introduction**

- 1.1 At the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2010 it was agreed to appoint an Independent Member from outside of the Authority to serve on the Governance and Audit Committee, this had subsequently been extended to include three independent members.
- 1.2 Appointments have been made as required since that time. As terms of Office have this year expired for two of those members it was subsequently necessary therefore to re-advertise the posts to appoint independent members on the Governance and Audit Committee from 2017 onwards.
- 1.3 The Council website was used to advertise the post and the existing two members submitted applications. No other people applied.
- 1.4 No interview process was deemed necessary as both candidates had experience and had proved eminently suitable, so it was agreed by the Chairman of Governance and Audit, and the Monitoring Officer that they both be re-appointed.

## **2. Terms of Office**

- 2.1 As the remaining third member's term of office was due to expire in May 2019, it is proposed that these two appointments be up until Annual Council May 2020 and May 2021, in order to maintain stability of experienced membership.

## **3. Recommended for Appointment**

- 3.1 It is **RECOMMENDED** that the persons named below be appointed to serve as an Independent Member on the Governance and Audit Committee.

- **Mr Peter Walton** until Annual Council 2020
- **Mrs Alison Adams** until Annual Council 2021