



**Council**

**Monday, 6 September 2021**

**Subject: Appointment to Vacancy on the Governance and Audit Committee**

Report by:

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Purpose / Summary:

To appoint a Member to serve on the Governance and Audit Committee, on which there is currently a vacancy.

**RECOMMENDATION(S):**

**That Councillor Mrs Caralyne Grimble be appointed to serve on the Governance and Audit Committee for the remainder of the 2021/22 Civic Year.**

## IMPLICATIONS

**Legal:**

**The report seeks to correct an unconstitutional appoint**

**Financial : FIN/64/22/SL**

**There are no financial implications arising from this report.**

**Staffing :**

**None arising from this report**

**Equality and Diversity including Human Rights :**

**None arising from this report**

**Data Protection Implications :**

**None arising from this report**

**Climate Related Risks and Opportunities:**

**None arising from this report**

**Section 17 Crime and Disorder Considerations:**

**None arising from this report**

**Health Implications:**

**None arising from this report**

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

**Wherever possible please provide a hyperlink to the background paper/s  
If a document is confidential and not for public viewing it should not be listed.**

**Risk Assessment :**

**Call in and Urgency:**

**Is the decision one which Rule 14.7 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules apply?**

i.e. is the report exempt from being called in due to urgency (in consultation with C&I chairman)

**Yes**

**No**

**Key Decision:**

A matter which affects two or more wards, or has significant financial implications

**Yes**

**No**

## **1 Introduction**

- 1.1 Members will be aware that Council at its last meeting on 28 June appointed Members to serve on its Committees for the 2021/22 civic year.
- 1.2 At that meeting, Councillor Anne Welburn was appointed to serve on the Governance and Audit Committee.
- 1.3 The membership rules of that Committee, as set out on page 9 of Part IV of the Constitution, state : -

The Leader of the Council, Leader of the Opposition, the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Chairman of the Standards Sub-Committee may be required to attend this committee but may not be appointed to it.

- 1.4 At that same meeting Councillor Welburn, was also re-affirmed as the Chairman of the Standards Sub-Committee, her appointment to the Governance and Audit Committee was therefore unconstitutional.
- 1.5 Councillor Welburn has indicated that she will retain her position on the Standards-Sub Committee, resigning from the Governance and Audit Committee, which has resulted in a vacancy.
- 1.6 The vacancy sits within the Administration Group's committee seat allocations, but it is the responsibility of Council to make appointments to Committee Memberships.
- 1.7 As such Council are asked to appoint Councillor Mrs Caralyne Grimble to serve on the Governance and Audit Committee for the remainder of the 2021/22 Civic Year.