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## MEMBER CHAMPIONS

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### 1.0 Summary

1.1 The One Council for Shropshire Business case contained proposals for the appointment of new roles for the Member Champions. This report proposes the establishment of six such roles, with the Champions being elected bi-annually.

### 2.0 Recommendations

2.1 It is recommended that:

- A. That the Council reaffirms the decision of the Implementation Executive to appoint the following Member Champions:
- Champion for Older People;
  - Champion for Young People;
  - Champion for Business Section;
  - Champion for Affordable Housing;
  - Champion for Equalities and Diversity;
  - Champion for the Third Section
- B. The names of the proposed Champions will be tabled at the meeting in advance of consultation with the sectoral representatives.

## REPORT

### 3.0 Background

- 3.1 The One Council for Shropshire Business Case outlined the proposed political arrangements for the new Shropshire Council. The Implementation Executive further refined the contents of the Business Case in both January and February 2008 by building upon the original proposal.
- 3.2 With regard to the new roles of Member Champion, the Implementation Executive felt that these should be constructed to ensure that the communities of interest, as well as the geographic communities, have a strong voice within the Council.
- 3.3 The Implementation Executive agreed that sectoral representatives should have the opportunity to commend to the Council Champions for the following roles:
- Champion for Older People
  - Champion for Young People
  - Champion for Business Sector
  - Champion for Affordable Housing
  - Champion for Equalities and Diversity
  - Champion for the Third Sector

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| <p><b>List of Background Papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not include items containing exempt or confidential information)</b></p> |
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| <p>Report to Implementation Executive dated 9 April 2008</p> |
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| <p><b>Human Rights Act Appraisal</b></p> |
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| <p>This report is compatible with the Human Rights Act 1998</p> |
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| <p><b>Environmental Appraisal: N/A</b></p> |
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| <p><b>Risk Management Appraisal</b></p> |
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| <p>The appointment of Member Champions is a constitutional requirement.</p> |
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| <p><b>Community / Consultations Appraisal</b></p> |
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| <p><b>Appendices</b></p> |
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