

NON-VOTING CO-OPTees FOR SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

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Summary

This report makes recommendations for non voting co-optees onto scrutiny committees.

Recommendations

To approve recommendations for non voting co-optees for Children and Young People's, Health Overview and Crime Reduction and Development Services Scrutiny Committees.

BACKGROUND

1. At the 16 July meeting of Council, recommendations for non voting co-optees were approved for Strategic Overview and Scrutiny and Community Services Scrutiny Committees. Members were advised that recommendations from the three remaining scrutiny committees would be reported for approval to this meeting.
2. As a reminder, the Council's constitution states that scrutiny committees can recommend to Council a number of people as non-voting co-optees to join in their work.
3. The co-optees should be selected to bring expertise in an area that will add value to the work of the committee and above all enthusiasm and commitment to making things better in Shropshire. The role of co-optees is to take an active role in undertaking research with members and developing the recommendations. They can bring an extra dimension in terms of their knowledge, use of the service and the needs of the community.
4. Temporary cooptees can also be invited to sit on individual reviews based upon their specific knowledge and interest in the subject in question can add value.

PROPOSALS FOR PERMANENT NON VOTING CO-OPTees

5. Children and Young People's Scrutiny Committee, at its meeting on 8 July, agreed on the following recommendations to Council:
 - 1 x Secondary Head Representative (nominated on a rota basis)
 - 1 x Primary Head representative – Chris Huss
 - 1 x Children's Trust representative - Elaine Griffiths

- 1 x Shropshire School Governors' Council representative – To be nominated (Substitute - Lucinda Burns)
 - 2 x Members of the Shropshire Youth Parliament - (to attend 1 x meeting per year when the Committee is due to discuss the theme Make a Positive Contribution) – NB attendance by representatives of the Shropshire Youth Parliament on this committee was at the request of the Shropshire Youth Parliament.
6. Health Overview and Crime Reduction Scrutiny Committee, at its meeting on 14 July, agreed on the following recommendations to Council:
- 1 x representative from Community Involvement in Health and Care
 - 1 x representative from the Shropshire Association of Senior Citizens Forum
 - 1 x representative from Shropshire Childrens' Trust
7. Development Services Scrutiny Committee, at its meeting on 21 July, agreed on the following recommendations to Council:
- 1 x representative from the business community – Geoff Davies
 - 1 x representative from the environment community – Dave Green

List of Background Papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not include items containing exempt or confidential information) Shropshire Council Constitution
Human Rights Act Appraisal The recommendations in this report are compatible with provisions of the Human Rights Act 1998.
Environment Appraisal There are no environmental issues.
Risk Management Appraisal Failure to select appropriate co-optees onto scrutiny committees resulting in the potential for less challenging reviews.
Community / Consultations Appraisal Not applicable.
Cabinet Member All
Local Member All
Appendices None