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Appointment of the Executive Leader of the Council and Committee appointments 2023/24

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1.0 Purpose of the report

- 1.1 To enable the Council to appoint the Executive Leader of the Council for 2023 2027.
- 1.2 To enable the Council to make appointments to Committees for the municipal year 2023/24.

2.0 Recommendation

- 2.1 That the appointment of the Executive Leader of the Council for 2023 2027 be approved.
- 2.2 That the memberships and appointments to Committees for the municipal year 2023/24 be approved.

3.0 Reason for recommendation

3.1 To appoint the Leader of the Council and make committee appointments following the Chesterfield Borough Council elections held on 4 May 2023.

4.0 Report details

4.1 Appointment of the Executive Leader

The Council is requested to appoint Councillor Tricia Gilby as Executive Leader of the Council for 2023 - 2027. The appointment needs to be moved, seconded and voted on.

4.2 Committee appointments

The Council is requested to make appointments to the following committees:

- Appeals and Regulatory Committee
- Employment and General Committee
- Licensing Committee
- Planning Committee
- Planning sub committee
- Scrutiny Select Committee Building a resilient Council
- Scrutiny Select Committee Economic Growth and Communities
- Standards and Audit Committee

4.3 Procedure for making committee appointments

The Leader of the Majority Group will move that the various Committees, and the total number of Members on each, shall be as shown in Appendix 1. The Leader's proposal will be seconded and voted upon.

- 4.4 In accordance with Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and Regulation 14 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990, the Chief Executive will indicate to Group Leaders details of the number of seats on each Committee which are to be allocated to each group. These will be as shown in Appendix 2.
- 4.5 The Group Leaders will then indicate their groups' appointments to the Committees. These are as shown in Appendix 3 It will be moved, seconded and voted on that the names submitted by the Group Leaders be approved.
- 4.6 The Leader of the Majority Group will move the appointment of the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of each Committee as shown in Appendix 4. The Leader's proposal will be seconded and voted upon.

5.0 Alternative options

5.1 None.

6.0 Implications for consideration – Financial and value for money

- 6.1 Each elected member currently receives £6,396 per annum in basic allowances. Additional special responsibility allowances are also paid for specific roles including Leader, Deputy Leader, Cabinet and Committee Chair's etc.
- 6.2 Allowances will be considered as part of the 2023 independent remuneration panel review, due to report to Council in December 2023.

7.0 Implications for consideration – Legal

7.1 Committee appointments are made in accordance with Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and Regulation 14 of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990.

8.0 Implications for consideration – Human resources

8.1 None.

9.0 Implications for consideration – Council plan

9.1 Council agreed the Council Plan 2023 – 2027 at Council in February 2023.

10.0 Implications for consideration – Climate change

10.1 The induction programme for new and returning members includes Climate Change training. This will help members to make informed decisions as part of their committee work.

11.0 Implications for consideration – Equality and diversity

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12.0 Implications for consideration – Risk management

12.1 The induction programme for new and returning members includes briefings around a range of topics which include specific risk areas including decision making, code of conduct, information assurance, equality and diversity, safeguarding, communications and health and safety. This will help members to make informed decisions as part of their committee work.

Decision information

Key decision number	1168
Wards affected	All

Document information

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Background documents

These are unpublished works which have been relied on to a material extent when the report was prepared.

Appendices to the report Appendix 1 - Committee appointments 2023/24 Appendix 2 - Allocation of seats 2023/24 Appendix 3 - Proposed membership of committees 2023/24 Appendix 4 - Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair of Committees 2023/34