

Meeting of the General Purposes Committee

Monday 17 July 2023

Agenda item 11.1

TO RE-APPOINT A VICE-CHAIR FOR GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

1.0 Background

- 1.1 At the Annual Statutory meeting of the Council on Monday 15 May 2023, members were appointed to the standing committee of General Purposes. Nominations were put forward and votes taken on the Chair for the committee and Vice-Chair. However it should be noted that the member appointed to the position of Vice-Chair, was absent from the meeting due to sickness and was therefore unable to confirm whether they were able to accept this position.
- 1.2 The appointed Vice-Chair (Councillor A. Smith) was also appointed as Vice-Chair for Environment & Leisure Committee, Chair of Personnel Sub-Committee and a Town Council representative on the following outside bodies:
Uckfield Town Centre Regeneration Joint Committee (Substitute)
Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group
Wealden Citizens Advice
Conservators of Ashdown Forest
Wealden Bus Alliance/Weald Link Forum
- 1.3 With this and commitments outside of the Town Council with full-time employment and other local interest groups, Councillor A. Smith would not have the capacity to accept the position of Vice-Chair for General Purposes Committee.

2.0 Appointment of Vice-Chair

- 2.1 Members of General Purposes Committee are therefore asked to re-appoint a Vice-Chair for the committee for the remainder of the municipal year, 2023-24.
- 2.2 The Town Council's Standing Orders state:-

15.3 - "Chairmen of committees and sub-committees should not serve as Chairmen longer than three consecutive years. Nor should any Member of the Council be Chairman of more than one committee or sub-committee at any one time."

15.4 - "Neither shall the Deputy Mayor be Chairman of a full committee."

- 2.3 Members are asked to put forward nominations for the position of Vice-Chair.

3.0 Recommendations

- 3.1 Members are asked to put forward nominations and advise the Town Clerk of how they wish to vote on the nominations presented.

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