

## **SLOUGH BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**REPORT TO:** Overview & Scrutiny Committee

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### **PART I** **FOR DECISION**

#### **APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINY PANELS**

##### **1 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 This report seeks approval to the establishment of a number of Panels and the nomination of Members to serve on them.

##### **2 Recommendations**

- 2.1 That the Panels set out in paragraph 5.1 of this report be appointed for the 2010/11 municipal year.
- 2.2 That the Committee note the allocation of seats to the Panels (paragraph 5.2).
- 2.3 That the Committee agree the allocation of Chairs and Vice-Chairs of Panels on the basis set out in paragraph 5.3 and that the Panels be invited to appoint their Chairs and Vice-Chairs at their first meetings.
- 2.4 That Members be appointed to serve on each of the Panels in accordance with the wishes expressed by Political Groups in respect of seats allocated to them as set out in paragraph 5.4 below.
- 2.5 That the co-opted Members listed in paragraphs 5.5 and 5.6 below be appointed to the Neighbourhoods & Renewal and Education & Children's Services Panels.

##### **3 Community Strategy Priorities**

There are no implications for the Community Strategy priorities as this report is administrative in nature.

##### **3 Legal Human Rights and Other Implications**

- 4.1 The recommendations meet the requirements of political proportionality as set out in Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and associated Regulations. There are no other implications arising from this report.

5. **Supporting Information**

5.1 The Committee is being recommended to re-appoint four Standing Panels for the 2010/11 municipal year.

5.2 Scrutiny Panel seat allocations have been calculated to reflect actual group membership and statutory proportionality entitlements as follows:

Panel	Total Seats	Labour	BILLD	Conservative
Community, Leisure & Environment Panel	9	5	2	2
Education & Children's Services Panel	9	5	2	2
Health Panel	9	5	2	2
Neighbourhoods & Renewal Panel	9	5	2	2

5.3 The Council's Constitution states that each Panel will consider electing a Chair and Vice Chair at its first meeting. The Chairs of the Panels' will be offered to a member of the Administration. The Vice Chairs will be offered to a member of the Opposition. A Panel may appoint any of its voting members if the offer is not accepted.

5.4 The political groups have been requested to nominate Members to sit on the Panels. Those received to date are set out below:-

**Community, Leisure & Environment** – Councillors Abe, Bains, Bal, Chohan, Jenkins, M S Mann, Shine, Sohal, A S Wright

**Education & Children's Services** – Councillors Abe, Bains, Bal, Dale-Gough, Davis, Maclsaac, P K Mann, Shine, O,Connor

**Health** – Councillors S K Dhaliwal, P K Mann, Qureshi, Plimmer, Maclsaac, Rasib, A S Wright, Long, Walsh

**Neighbourhoods & Renewal** – Councillors Abe, Dodds, Jenkins, Pabbi, Plimmer, Sohal, Walsh, A S Wright, Zarait

5.5 The Committee is asked to approve the appointment of the following education co-opted Members to the Education & Children's Services Panel:-

**Voting Co-opted Members**

Mr R Davey (Church of England)

Mrs P Parker (Roman Catholic Church)

Parent Governor Representatives – Two nominations awaited from governing bodies.

### Non-Voting Co-opted Members

Head Teacher Representative – Charlie McGeachie

Secondary School Teacher Representative –

Primary School Teacher Representative –

- 5.6 The Committee is also asked to approve the appointment of Barbara Goldstein, Glynys Higgins and Heather Mason as non-voting co-opted members of the Neighbourhoods & Renewal Panel to speak on matters relating to the People 1<sup>st</sup> (Slough) ALMO.

### **6. Background Papers**

Local Government & Housing Act 1989 and associated Regulations.  
Constitution