

Report to:	West Yorkshire Combined Authority		
Date:	1 February 2024		
Subject:	Committee Membership		
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Is this a key decision?		☐ Yes	⊠ No
Is the decision eligible for call-in by Scrutiny?		☐ Yes	⊠ No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information or appendices?			⊠ No

1. Purpose of this Report

1.1 To appoint deputy chairs to the Climate, Energy & Environment Committee, and the Place, Regeneration & Housing Committee.

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If relevant, state paragraph number of Schedule 12A, Local Government

- 1.2 To note a change in nomination by Kirklees Council to the Culture, Heritage & Sport Committee which has been approved under officer delegation.
- 1.3 To note the termination of appointments by Kirklees Council to the Transport Committee and Economy Scrutiny Committee.

2. Information

Act 1972, Part 1:

Thematic Committee Deputy Chairs

Are there implications for equality and diversity?

- 2.1 The thematic committees, except for Transport Committee, are currently chaired by a member of the Combined Authority, with the deputy chair being a private sector member of the West Yorkshire Business Board (previously known as LEP Board). However, there have been vacancies for deputy chairs on the Business, Economy & Innovation Committee, the Climate, Energy & Environment Committee and the Place, Regeneration & Housing Committee since the term of office of the previous post-holders came to an end.
- 2.2 At its meeting on 7 December, the Combined Authority approved the appointment of

a private sector Deputy Chair to the Business, Economy & Innovation Committee, with confirmation of nominations to the Climate, Energy & Environment Committee and the Place, Regeneration & Housing Committee delegated by the West Yorkshire Business Board to the Mayor's Business Advisor.

2.3 Nominations to the two vacancies have now been agreed and the Combined Authority are asked to consider the following appointments:

Committee	Deputy Chair
Climate, Energy & Environment Committee	Jane Atkinson CBE
Place, Regeneration & Housing Committee	Annette Joseph MBE

Voting Rights

2.4 As previously approved by the Combined Authority at its meeting in December, any West Yorkshire Business Board member who is co-opted to a thematic decision-making committee as Deputy Chair will be granted voting rights.

Appointments to Committees made under Officer Delegation

- 2.5 In between the ordinary cycle of committee meetings, Kirklees Council has provided notice of changes to their committee nominations as set out below.
- 2.6 The Combined Authority is asked to note the change in nomination detailed below which was approved by the Deputy Director of Legal, Governance & Compliance under the delegation conferred on them by the Combined Authority to facilitate changes to nominations in between the ordinary cycle of meetings and enable the timely continuation of business.

Committee	Nomination		
Culture, Heritage & Sport Committee	Aafaq Butt to replace Yusra Hussain with effect from 12.01.24		

2.7 On 19 January 2024, Kirklees Council provided formal notification that it wished to terminate the appointment of the following members with immediate effect with alternative nominations to be provided in due course.

Committee	Nomination
Transport Committee	Ammar Anwar
Economy Scrutiny Committee	Paul Moore

3. Tackling the Climate Emergency Implications

3.1 There are no climate emergency implications directly arising from this report.

4. Inclusive Growth Implications

4.1 There are no inclusive growth implications directly arising from this report.

5. Equality and Diversity Implications

5.1 There are no equality and diversity implications directly arising from this report.

6. Financial Implications

6.1 There are no financial implications directly arising from this report.

7. Legal Implications

7.1 Any changes to committee appointments must be formally approved by the Combined Authority.

8. Staffing Implications

8.1 There are no staffing implications directly arising from this report.

9. External Consultees

9.1 No external consultations have been undertaken.

10. Recommendations

- 10.1 That the Combined Authority appoint deputy chairs to the Climate, Energy & Environment Committee and Place, Regeneration & Housing Committee in accordance with the nominations set out in paragraph 2.3 above.
- 10.2 That the Combined Authority note the change to Kirklees Council's nomination to the Culture, Heritage and Sport Committee as set out in paragraph 2.6 above.
- 10.3 That the Combined Authority note the termination of Kirklees Council member appointments to the Transport Committee and Economy Scrutiny Committee as set out in paragraph 2.7 above.

11. Background Documents

There are no background documents referenced in this report.

12. Appendices

There are no appendices to this report.