

COUNCIL

28 NOVEMBER 2023

REPORT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE

A.5 TENDRING/COLCHESTER BORDERS GARDEN COMMUNITY JOINT COMMITTEE - APPOINTMENT OF TDC REPRESENTATIVE (MEMBER FROM A POLITICAL GROUP THAT IS NOT REPRESENTED ON THE CABINET)

(Report prepared by Ian Ford)

Council will be aware that, under the jointly agreed terms of reference for the Tendring / Colchester Borders Garden Community Joint Committee (TCBGCJC), three Members of the TCBGCJC must be appointed by Tendring District Council. Those terms of reference for the TCBGCJC were jointly approved by Essex County Council, Colchester City Council and Tendring District Council (TDC).

This is in accordance with the terms of reference of the TCBGCJC, which are set out in Schedule 5 to Part 3 of the Council's Constitution.

Members will recall also that, at its meeting held on 30 November 2021 (Minute 93 refers), this Council decided that those three Members will consist of:-

- (i) the Chairman of the Planning Policy and Local Plan Committee;
- (ii) a member of the Cabinet who will be duly appointed by the Leader of the Council; and
- (iii) a Member from a political group that is not represented on the Cabinet.

In addition, a Member will be appointed, who shall act as TDC's Substitute Member of the TCBGCJC when required.

At the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 23 May 2023 (Minute 21 refers) Council resolved that –

- (a) the appointment of the Chairman of the Planning Policy and Local Plan Committee to serve on the Tendring / Colchester Borders Garden Community Joint Committee be endorsed;*
- (b) Councillor Guglielmi be appointed as the Member from a political group that is not represented on the Cabinet to serve on the Tendring / Colchester Borders Garden Community Joint Committee;*
- (c) Councillor Baker be appointed to serve as this Council's Substitute Member on the Tendring / Colchester Borders Garden Community Joint Committee; and*
- (d) the Leader of the Council be requested to appoint a member of the Cabinet to serve on the Tendring Colchester Borders Garden Community Joint Committee.*

Subsequently, the Leader of the Council (Councillor M E Stephenson) appointed Councillor Bush as the member of TDC's Cabinet to serve on the TCBGCJC.

Since that time, Councillor Guglielmi has subsequently become a member of the TCBGCJC by right in his capacity as the recently elected Chairman of the Planning Policy & Local Plan Committee (Minute 10 – 5.10.23 refers). That means there is, automatically, a vacancy for a Member from a political group that is not represented on the Cabinet.

Therefore it is:-

RECOMMENDED to Council that a Member from a political group that is not represented on the Cabinet be now appointed to serve on the Tendring / Colchester Borders Garden Community Joint Committee in order to fill the current vacancy.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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Published minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 23 May 2023.

Published minutes of the meeting of the Planning Policy & Local Plan Committee held on 5 October 2023.