

COUNCIL

13 OCTOBER 2026

REPORT OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE

A.5 APPOINTMENT OF A TENDRING DISTRICT COUNCIL SUBSTITUTE REPRESENTATIVE TO SERVE, WHEN REQUIRED, ON THE TENDRING / COLCHESTER BORDERS GARDEN COMMUNITY JOINT COMMITTEE

(Report prepared by Ian Ford)

Council will recall that, under the jointly agreed (by Essex County Council, Colchester City Council and Tendring District Council) 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 (TDC).

At the meeting of the Full Council held on 30 November 2021 (Minute 93 refers), this Council decided that those three Members will comprise:-

- (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; plus
- (iv) a Member who shall act as a Substitute Member of the TCBGCJC when required.

The current TDC membership of TCBGCJC is as follows:-

Councillor Andy Baker (Cabinet member appointed by the Leader of the Council)*;
Councillor Mark Cossens (Member from a political group not represented on the Cabinet);
Councillor Maria Fowler (designated Substitute Member); and
Councillor Carlo Guglielmi (Chairman of the Planning Policy and Local Plan Committee).

*On 11 September 2026 the Leader of the Council appointed himself as the one Cabinet member to be a member of the Tendring / Colchester Borders Garden Community Joint Committee for the purposes of the Joint Committee's meeting to be held on 18 November 2026. This is because Councillor Baker will not be able to attend that meeting of the Joint Committee and, as such, the appointee shall be the Leader of the Council for that meeting. Councillor Baker will continue in his role following that 18 November 2026 meeting.

Councillor Fowler has recently indicated that she wishes to be replaced as the designated substitute member of the TCBGCJC.

Therefore, it is:-

RECOMMENDED to Council that -

- (a) it notes that Councillor Fowler wishes to no longer be the designated Substitute on the Tendring / Colchester Borders Garden Community Joint Committee;**
- (b) a Member of the Council be now appointed to serve on the Tendring / Colchester Borders Garden Community Joint Committee as Tendring District Council's designated Substitute in the stead of Councillor Fowler; and**
- (c) Councillor Fowler be thanked for her service to the Council on the Tendring / Colchester Borders Garden Community Joint Committee.**

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