

Divisions Affected N/A

LEADER OF THE COUNCIL – 7 JUNE 2021

Appointments to Local Government Association General Assembly

Report by Director of Law & Governance

RECOMMENDATION

The Leader of the Council is RECOMMENDED to appoint four councillors to the Local Government Association General Assembly and to agree which of those should have a casting vote.

Executive Summary

1. Cabinet is responsible for appointments to those outside bodies which it has identified as 'strategic' and which have been endorsed as such by the Council. Cabinet reviews these appointments on an annual basis and is scheduled to do so at their next meeting on 22 June 2021.
2. One of these appointments is to the Local Government Association General Assembly where Oxfordshire County Council has 4 places. One of the appointments has an additional casting vote. The General Assembly, the 'Parliament of Local Government', meets once a year and is the only LGA decision-making forum which all authorities in membership are eligible to attend and to vote. The General Assembly elects the political leadership of the LGA, receives the annual report and accounts and may debate motions on issues of national significance to local government. It is a key element of the LGA's governance arrangements.
3. In the light of continued restrictions arising from the COVID-19 pandemic, the Board of the LGA has agreed that the 2021 General Assembly will be held as a virtual meeting. The meeting will take place on Tuesday 6 July 2021. The deadline for appointments to the Assembly is before the Cabinet meeting on 22 June and so the Leader is requested to make the appointments.

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