

NAME OF COMMITTEE	Council
DATE	8 December 2014
REPORT TITLE	Audit Committee Membership
Report of	The Leader of Council
WARDS AFFECTED	All

Summary of report:

To consider a report that seeks to appoint Cllr Sheldon as a Member of the Audit Committee for the remainder of the 2014/15 Municipal Year in place of Cllr Ball.

Financial implications:

None directly arising from this report.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Cllr Sheldon be appointed to serve on the Audit Committee for the remainder of the 2014/15 Municipal Year, in place of Cllr Ball, who will become a named substitute for this period.

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1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Leader of Council has been informed that, due to a change in personal circumstances, Cllr Ball no longer wishes to be a Member of the Audit Committee.
- 1.2 As a consequence, the Leader of Council has nominated Cllr Sheldon to fill this vacancy with immediate effect. Since Cllr Sheldon is currently a named substitute on the Audit Committee, he has already been in receipt of the necessary training to become a Member of the Committee.

1.3 It is then also suggested that Cllr Ball become a named substitute for the remainder of the municipal year.

2. RISK MANAGEMENT

2.1 The Risk Management implications are shown at the end of this report in the Strategic Risks Template.

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Corporate priorities engaged:	All
Statutory powers:	Local Government Act 2000
Considerations of equality and human rights:	None directly related to this report
Biodiversity considerations:	None directly related to this report
Sustainability considerations:	None directly related to this report
Crime and disorder implications:	None directly related to this report
Background papers:	The Council Constitution The Annual Council Summons and Minutes
Appendices attached:	None.

STRATEGIC RISKS TEMPLATE

No	Risk Title	Risk/Opportunity Description	Inherent risk status			Mitigating & Management actions	Ownership	
			Impact of negative outcome	Chance of negative outcome	Risk score and direction of travel			
1	Ensuring a Quorum	In the event of a meeting being declared inquorate, it would need to be cancelled and date constrained agenda items (e.g. Annual Governance Statement and Statement of Accounts) may not therefore be considered before prescribed statutory deadlines.	3	1	3	↔	By appointing Cllr Sheldon to serve on the Audit Committee will help to reduce the potential for a meeting being declared inquorate.	Democratic Services Manager

Direction of travel symbols ↓ ↑ ↔