Report to: Special Council

Date: 2 March 2017

Title: APPOINTMENTS TO COUNCIL BODIES

Portfolio Area: All

Wards Affected: All

Urgent Decision: N Approval and Y

clearance obtained:

Date next steps can be taken: (e.g. referral on of recommendation or implementation of substantive decision) Immediately following this meeting.

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Recommendations:

That the Council RESOLVES, with immediate effect, that:

- 1. Cllr D Brown be appointed to serve on the Executive for the remainder of the 2016/17 Municipal Year; and
- 2. Cllr E Huntley be appointed to serve on the Overview and Scrutiny Panel for the remainder of the 2016/17 Municipal Year.

1. Executive summary

1.1 Members will be aware that Cllr E Huntley, an Opposition Group Member, was elected to serve on the Council on 23 February 2017 to represent the Charterlands Ward. As a consequence, it is necessary to revisit the political balance of the Council and appointments to Council Bodies.

2. Background

- 2.1 In line with the governance arrangements of the Council whereby each of the 31 Council Members will serve on either the Executive (6 Members); Development Management Committee (12 Members) or the Overview and Scrutiny Panel (13 Members), the Group Leaders have been consulted and have recommended, for the remainder of the 2016/17 Municipal Year, that:
 - Cllr D Brown fill the current vacancy on the Executive; and
 - Cllr E Huntley fill the subsequent vacancy on the Overview and Scrutiny Panel.

3. Options available and consideration of risk

3.1 Without confirming this appointment, the Council would be in breach of its own Constitutional requirement whereby every Member of Council serves on one of either the Executive, Development Management Committee or Overview and Scrutiny Panel.

4. Implications

Legal/Governance	The Council Constitution currently requires all Members to serve on either the Executive, Development Management Committee and Overview and Scrutiny Panel.
Financial	There are no additional financial implications directly related to this report
Risk	There is a constitutional and legislative risk to the Council if the recommendations are not agreed by the Council.
Comprehensive Impact Assessment Implications	
Equality and Diversity	There are no equality and diversity implications directly related to this report.
Safeguarding	There are no safeguarding implications directly related to this report.
Community Safety, Crime and Disorder	There are no community safety or crime and disorder implications directly related to this report.
Health, Safety and Wellbeing	There are no health, safety and wellbeing implications directly related to this report.
Other implications	N/A

Supporting Information

Appendices:

None

Background Papers:

Council Constitution Political Balance Provisions