Membership of Committees – Appointment of New Councillors to Scrutiny Committee and Standards Committee

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1. Purpose of the Report

To confirm a change to the Scrutiny and Standards Committee appointments following the appointment of Councillors to various committees and working groups at Council on 18th May 2017.

2. Public Interest

Each year at their annual meeting, Council agree to appoint Councillors to the various committees and to represent SSDC on outside organisations. This report confirms the wishes of the Conservative group to make an amendment to the Councillors appointed to the Scrutiny Committee and the Income Generation Board.

3. Recommendation

In accordance with Section 16 (1) Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the duty therein to give effect to the wishes of the political group to which seats on any committee are allocated, the Council confirm that:-

- 1. One Conservative Councillor (to be advised) be appointed to the Scrutiny Committee.
- 2. Councillor Crispin Raikes be appointed to the Standards Committee.

4. Report

The membership of committees and working groups for 2017/18 was approved at the Annual Council meeting on 18th May. At that meeting, Councillor Val Keitch was elected as Chairman of the Area West Committee. According to Part 2, Article 9 of the Council's Constitution, the Membership of the Standards Committee will be composed of six district councillors (only one of whom may be a member of the District Executive), appointed proportionally.

Councillor Val Keitch has been appointed as Chairman of Area West Committee and so is now a member of the Executive, along with Councillor Angie Singleton both of whom are members of the Standards Committee.

The Liberal Democrat group have indicated they will appoint Councillor Crispin Raikes to replace Councillor Val Keitch on the Standards Committee.

Also, following the Annual Council meeting, there remains one Conservative vacancy on the Scrutiny Committee.

5. Background Papers

Minutes of Council – 18th May 2017