



OFFICER REPORT TO COUNCIL

CONSTITUTION UPDATE REPORT

KEY ISSUE/DECISION:

It is the Council's responsibility to approve changes to the Scheme of Delegation regarding non-executive functions, while amendments to executive functions are delegated to the Leader and are brought to County Council to note.

This report seeks Council's approval for changes to the Scheme of Delegation relating to a change in name for the Surrey Pension Fund Board (to be known as the Surrey Pension Fund Committee).

In line with Article 6.04 it also formally reports the appointment of a new Cabinet Associate.

BACKGROUND:

SCHEME OF DELEGATION – RESPONSIBILITY FOR COUNCIL FUNCTIONS – COMMITTEES

1. Changes to any non-executive functions require approval by Council. Proposed changes to the Surrey Pension Fund Board are detailed below.
2. Following the establishment of the Surrey Local Pension Board it was decided that the Surrey Pension Fund Board should be re-named the Surrey Pension Fund Committee in order to differentiate appropriately.
3. This change was verbally agreed at the Council meeting held in July 2015 and this report now seeks to formally agree this change.
4. The terms of reference and membership arrangements of the Surrey Pension Fund Committee remain unchanged.

FUNCTIONS FOR REPORT TO COUNCIL

Appointment of a new Cabinet Associate by the Leader of the Council

5. Article 6.04 states that the Leader can appoint Cabinet Associates to work with Cabinet Members relating to the specific responsibilities of a portfolio.

6. In line with this the Leader of the Council has appointed Mrs Mary Lewis as a Cabinet Associate effective from 22 September 2015.
7. Cabinet Associates are not permitted to be a member of a scrutiny board relating to the specific responsibilities of the portfolio that they will be supporting and as a result Mrs Lewis has resigned from her vice-chairman role on the Education and Skills Board.
8. County Council are asked to note this appointment.

<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u>

It is recommended:

- a) that the County Council approves the changes to its Constitution regarding the name change of the Surrey Pension Fund Committee (formally known as the Surrey Pension Fund Board).
- b) that the appointment of a new Cabinet Associate by the Leader of the Council be noted.

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Sources/background papers:

The Council's Constitution
