

COUNCIL

8th March 2021

CHANGES TO CABINET AND COMMITTEE PLACES

Report of the Monitoring Officer

Strategic Aim:	Customer-focussed services	
Exempt Information	No	
Cabinet Member(s) Responsible:	Mr O Hemsley, Leader and Portfolio Holder for Rutland One Public Estate & Growth, Tourism & Economic Development, Property, Communications and Resources (other than Finance)	
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Ward Councillors		

DECISION RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council:

1. Notes the changes to the Cabinet
2. Notes the subsequent amendments to Committee Places;
3. Appoints Councillor Powell to Chair the Audit and Risk Committee.

1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 Council is being asked to note the changes made to the composition on the Cabinet following the resignation from Cabinet of the Deputy Leader of the Council, Councillor G Brown on the 27th January 2021.
- 1.2 As a result of Councillor G Brown's resignation from his position on Cabinet, the Leader announced that Councillor Payne would be joining Cabinet from the 24th February 2021. Consequentially, Councillor Payne would therefore no longer be able to hold a seat on the Growth Infrastructure and Resources Committee and will step down from the position of Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee. Council are being asked to note the changes to Committee Places and confirm who will

Chair the Audit and Risk Committee.

2 BACKGROUND AND MAIN CONSIDERATIONS

2.1 Councillor G Brown joined Cabinet in 2017 and has most recently held the role of Portfolio Holder for Planning and Finance as well as being the Deputy Leader of the Council.

2.2 Following Councillor G Brown's resignation, the Leader announced that he would be taking over the responsibility for the Council's Planning Portfolio.

2.3 At the Council meeting held on the 22nd February 2021, the Leader updated Council and the following was noted:

Councillor G Brown would be stepping down from his current position on Cabinet from the 23rd March 2021

The Leader would expand his current portfolio to include Planning (excluding the Local Plan and HIF) which would remain under Councillor G Brown's remit until the 23rd March 2021.

Councillor Payne would be joining Cabinet from the 24th February 2021 and would be the Portfolio Holder for Finance

Councillor Stephenson would be appointed Deputy Leader of the Council from 1st March 2021. She would remain Portfolio Holder for Culture and Leisure, Environment, Highways, Transportation and Road Safety.

2.4 As a result of the above changes, the appointments to Committee Places has been amended.

2.5 As there has been a like for like swap, there is no need for a revision to the Committee proportionality. Group Leaders are able to nominate Councillors to each Committee as per the number of seats apportioned to their group based on the proportionality calculation.

2.6 It should be noted that the nomination for GIR Scrutiny will not be effective until the 24th March as Councillor G Brown will retain a role on the Executive until the 23rd March as noted above

3 CONSULTATION

3.1 It is for the Leaders of each Group to nominate Councillors.

4 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

4.1 As the report is for noting, there are no alternative options.

5 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Should the Leader wish to increase the number of Councillors appointed to Cabinet, there would be financial implications as additional special responsibility allowances would be necessary for those appointed to Cabinet. The Leader is able to appoint and up to nine councillors to Cabinet whom would be entitled to receive an additional allowance in accordance with the Members' Allowances Scheme set

out in Part 6 of the Councils Constitution.

6 LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS

- 6.1 It is necessary for the Leader to appoint a new Deputy Leader who is authorised to act in the place of the Leader when he is unable to act (the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990)).
- 6.2 Procedure Rule 22 requires that the Council will appoint a Councillor to take the Chair of its Committees.

7 DATA PROTECTION IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 A Data Protection Impact Assessments (DPIA) has not been completed as there are no risks/issues to the rights and freedoms of natural persons.

8 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 8.1 An Equality Impact Questionnaire is not required for this report

9 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 There are no community safety implications.

10 HEALTH AND WELLBEING IMPLICATIONS

- 10.1 There are no health and wellbeing implications.

11 CONCLUSION AND SUMMARY OF REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

- 11.1 Council are being asked to note the changes to Cabinet and subsequent Committee places following the resignation of Councillor G Brown

12 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 12.1 There are no additional background papers

13 APPENDICES

- 13.1 Appendix 1 - Proposed nominations to Committee places,

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