

<b>REPORT TO:</b>		Council	
<b>DATE:</b>		07 July 2016	
<b>REPORT OF:</b>		Cllr Eamonn Higgins, Chair of the Communities and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee	
<b>REPORT AUTHOR:</b>		Overview and Scrutiny Officer	
<b>TITLE OF REPORT:</b>		Appointment of Co-optees	
<b>EXEMPT REPORT (Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A)</b>	<b>No</b>	Not applicable	
<b>KEY DECISION:</b>	<b>No</b>	If yes, date of publication:	

### 1. **Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 To submit recommendations for Co-opted Members on to the Overview and Scrutiny Committees.

### 2. **Recommendations**

- 2.1 That Council approves the following appointments of Co-optees to the Communities and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee:
- Kerry Molineux
- 2.2 That Council reappoints Honorary Alderman Dave Parkins to the Communities and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee, and Honorary Alderman Ian Ormerod to the Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

### 3. **Reasons for Recommendations and Background**

- 3.1 The Councils Constitution, Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule C2 states:

Each overview and scrutiny committee may appoint up to three members of the public, who the committee deems to have relevant experience of topics related to that scrutiny committee, as non-voting co-optees.

(i) Applications may be invited to fill a vacancy for a co-opted member at the Overview and Scrutiny Committee; applications may also be received directly from members of the public.

(ii) The application will be considered first at the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The Committee will consider the knowledge and experience of the applicant relevant to the terms of reference or work programme of the Committee.

(iii) The intention is that such co-optees will be non-political.

(iv) If the majority of the Overview and Scrutiny members support the appointment of the applicant, the proposed appointment will be presented to Council for approval.

3.2 There are 6 vacancies for Co-opted Members between the 2 Committees.

Honorary Aldermen Dave Parkins and Ian Ormerod have been put forward to Council for reappointment to the Communities and Wellbeing and the Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committees respectively.

3.3 One new application to be Co-opted on to a Committee has been received by Kerry Molineux. Kerry is a former Councillor who stood down at the end of her term in 2015/16. Kerry Molineux was Chair of the Communities and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Health and Communities Working Group for 2 years, and also represented Hyndburn Borough Council on Lancashire County Council's Health Scrutiny Committee. Kerry is a former resident of Great Harwood and still has strong ties to Hyndburn.

3.4 The Communities and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee discussed this application at its meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup> June, and have recommended that Kerry Molineux be co-opted on to the Committee.

#### 4. **Alternative Options considered and Reasons for Rejection**

4.1 It is a requirement of the Constitution that the Committee considers applications from members of the public to be co-opted on to the Committee before making a recommendation to Council. No other applications have been received so there remains three vacancies between the committees.

#### 5. **Consultations**

5.1 None

#### 6. **Implications**

<b>Financial implications (including any future financial commitments for the Council)</b>	None
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<b>Legal and human rights implications</b>	None
<b>Assessment of risk</b>	None
<b>Equality and diversity implications</b> <i>A <a href="#">Customer First Analysis</a> should be completed in relation to policy decisions and should be attached as an appendix to the report.</i>	Not Applicable

**7. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985:  
List of Background Papers**

7.1 *None*

**8. Freedom of Information**

8.1 The report does not contain exempt information under the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12A and all information can be disclosed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.