

ARUN DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT TO FULL COUNCIL – 13 MARCH 2019

SUBJECT: Appointment of Vice-Chairman of the Council for the Municipal Year 2019/20

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At Full Council on 7 March 2018, following nominations from Political Groups, a vote by ballot was held, in accordance with Article 4.2 (b) of the Constitution Procedure Rule 18.9 to determine the Vice-Chairman of the Council for 2018/19 and Chairman elect for 2019/20. This appointment was subsequently reconfirmed at the Annual Council Meeting on 16 May 2018.

The successful candidate was Councillor Pat Dillon and at the Annual Council meeting on 22 May 2019 he will be re-elected as Chairman for the Municipal Year 2019.20.

The Council is now being asked at this meeting to consider nominations for the Vice-Chairman of the Council for 2019/20 and Chairman-elect for 2020/21.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

1. The Vice-Chairman of the Council for 2019/20 and Chairman elect for 2020/21 be appointed from the nominations put forward by each Political Group.

1. BACKGROUND:

1.1 Paragraph 2 (b) of Article 4 in Part 2 of the Constitution states:

(b) appointing for the Municipal Year or remainder of a Municipal Year the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council on receipt of not more than one nomination from each political group.

1.2 The decision on which candidate should be appointed will be taken by holding a ballot at the Council meeting.

2. PROPOSAL(S):

2.1 The Council will consider the nominations put forward by each of the Political Groups for the position of Vice-Chairman of the Council and Chairman elect and the Chief Executive will confirm who has been appointed following a vote by ballot.

3. OPTIONS:

- 1) To support the report of the Chief Executive and agree who will be appointed as Vice Chairman of the Council for 2019/20 and Chairman elect for 2020/21.
- 2) To defer the decision to the Annual Council Meeting on 22 May 2019.

4. IMPLICATIONS:

Agreeing the appointment at this stage will allow the Chairman elect to work with a prospective Vice-Chairman to make plans for their civic year of office.

5. REASON FOR THE DECISION:

To reduce the business required at the Annual Council meeting on 22 May 2019, as it is normal procedure to make the decision in the March/April of the previous administration. In 2018, the decision took place on 7 March 2018.

8. BACKGROUND PAPERS:

Arun's Constitution – Article 4

Section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972