

COUNCIL - MONDAY, 4 SEPTEMBER 2023

Report of the Monitoring Officer

Part A

APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT REMUNERATION PANEL MEMBER

Purpose of Report

To appoint a new representative to the Independent Remuneration Panel for a four year term of office.

Recommendation

That Mr Elliot Harris be appointed to the Independent Remuneration Panel until the end of the 2026/27 civic year.

Reason

To fill a vacancy on the Independent Remuneration Panel.

Policy Justification and Previous Decisions

Under The Local Authorities (Members' Allowances) (England) Regulations 2003, the Council is obliged to have regard to the recommendations of an Independent Remuneration Panel when approving its Scheme of Members Allowances.

Mr Paul Smith's appointment to the Panel finished at the end of the 2022/23 civic year, and having served for two four year terms, he was not eligible for re-appointment to the Panel.

Implementation Timetable including Future Decisions

If approved, the appointment will take effect immediately.

Report Implications

Financial Implications

Members of the Panel receive an annual allowance of £200, which is allowed for within the overall budget for Members' Allowances.

Risk Management

There are no risks arising from this report.

Equality and Diversity

None identified.

Climate Change and Carbon Impact

None identified.

Crime and Disorder

None identified.

Wards Affected

Not applicable,

Publicity Arrangements

Not applicable.

Consultations

Not applicable.

Links to the Corporate Strategy

Caring for the Environment	No
Healthy Communities	No
A Thriving Economy	No
Your Council	No

Background Papers: None

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Part B

Process for making recommendations for appointment

1. A press release was issued inviting expressions of interest in the vacancy on the Panel, and it was also publicised on social media. Nine expressions of interest were received.
2. Five people were interviewed by the Monitoring Officer and the Democratic Services Manager (Deputy Monitoring Officer), and following those interviews, Mr Elliot Harris is recommended for appointment.

Information about the person recommended for appointment

3. Mr Harris lives in Barrow upon Soar, and is a semi-retired chartered accountant and consultant. He is a trustee of three local charities and was previously a Governor at Leicester College, including being Chair of their Audit Committee. He has stated that he is not a member of any political party.