

Report for Information

Report to Executive
22 July 2009

Report of Head of Legal and Democratic Services

Subject Recommendation from the Audit Committee on the
Composition of the Housing Improvement and Corporate
Improvement and Efficiency Boards

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Purpose

To consider a recommendation from the Audit Committee relating to the composition of the Housing Improvement and Corporate Improvement and Efficiency Boards.

Recommendations

To consider whether to appoint a non executive member from one of the minority parties who is not a member of the Scrutiny Committee to each of the Housing Improvement and Corporate Improvement and Efficiency Boards.

Financial Consequences

There are no financial consequences arising from this report.

Risk Assessment

It is important that all members of the Council are satisfied that the work of the Housing Improvement and Corporate Improvement and Efficiency Boards is open and transparent.

Strategic Priority and Outcome/Service Priorities

The report helps to meet all of the City Council's strategic priorities.

Lead Member: Councillor Waters – Corporate Resources and Governance

Ward: All

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Background Documents

None

1. At their meeting on 22 June during consideration of the Annual Governance Statement, the Audit Committee discussed the composition of the Housing Improvement and Corporate Improvement and Efficiency Boards. They were of the view that, in the interests of openness and transparency, it was important that a non executive member should be appointed to each of the Boards. They considered that this appointee should not be a member of the Scrutiny Committee as this Committee was already involved in scrutinising the work of the two Boards. They further considered that the representative should be drawn from one of the minority parties.
2. The Chair of the Audit Committee will attend your meeting for this item.