

Report to	Council	Item
	25 September 2012	
Report of	Head of law and governance	8
Subject	Appointment of Independent Person (Standards)	

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to resolve the appointment of Independent Person in accordance with the new code of conduct outlined in the Localism Act 2011 which was unanimously adopted by Council on 19 June 2012.

Recommendation

To appoint Mr Alastair Roy to the position of Independent Person for the purposes of the Localism Act 2011.

Corporate and service priorities

The report helps to meet the corporate priority "Value for money services".

Ward/s: All wards

Cabinet member: Councillor Waters – Deputy leader and resources

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Background documents

None

Report

1. At the meeting of Council held on 19 June 2012, Council resolved unanimously to adopt, as of 1 July 2012, a new code of conduct and arrangement for dealing with matters raised under the code as provided for by the Localism Act 2011.
2. The Monitoring officer was delegated the power to take all steps and deal with all such ancillary matters as are required to implement the appointment of an Independent Person and reserve persons in accordance with paragraph 18-23 of the standards framework and to render the council compliant.
3. Following the council meeting of 19 June 2012 a joint exercise to recruit an Independent Person required by the Localism Act 2011 was undertaken by the city, county, south norfolk and broadland councils. Accordingly, the city council interviewed seven candidates with a panel that included Colin Thrower, former independent member of the standards committee and now a co-opted member of the new standards committee.
4. The panel recommends to the council the appointment of Mr Alastair Roy to the position of Independent Person for the purposes of the Localism Act 2011. Mr Roy's background consists of several senior positions at the NHS as well as a number of non-executive roles including independent member of Broadland district council's Standards committee. Mr Roy has also recently been appointed by Broadland district council as its Independent Person.

Standards Committee

5. The Standards committee under the 2011 Act will comprise of the following members:
6. Cllr Gee, Cllr Gihawi, Cllr Grenville, Cllr Lay, Cllr Lubbock, Cllr Rogers and Mr Peter Franzen and Mr Colin Thrower (formally Independent members of the previous standards committee) now non-voting co-opted members.

Integrated impact assessment



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The IIA should assess **the impact of the recommendation** being made by the report

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Report author to complete

Committee:	Council
Committee date:	25 September 2012
Head of service:	Philip Hyde
Report subject:	Appointment of Independent Person (Standards)
Date assessed:	17 September 2012
Description:	The purpose of this report is to resolve the appointment of Independent Person in accordance with the new code of conduct outlined in the Localism Act 2011 which was unanimously adopted by Council on 19 June 2012.

	Impact			
Economic (please add an 'x' as appropriate)	Neutral	Positive	Negative	Comments
Finance (value for money)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Other departments and services e.g. office facilities, customer contact	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
ICT services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Economic development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Financial inclusion	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Social (please add an 'x' as appropriate)	Neutral	Positive	Negative	Comments
Safeguarding children and adults	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<u>S17 crime and disorder act 1998</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Human Rights Act 1998	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Health and well being	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Equality and diversity (please add an 'x' as appropriate)	Neutral	Positive	Negative	Comments
Relations between groups (cohesion)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

	Impact			
Eliminating discrimination & harassment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Advancing equality of opportunity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Environmental (please add an 'x' as appropriate)	Neutral	Positive	Negative	Comments
Transportation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Natural and built environment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Waste minimisation & resource use	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Pollution	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Sustainable procurement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Energy and climate change	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
(Please add an 'x' as appropriate)	Neutral	Positive	Negative	Comments
Risk management	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Recommendations from impact assessment
Positive
Negative
Neutral
Issues