

Report for Resolution

Report to Council
30 November, 2010

Report of Head of legal and democratic services

Subject Appointment of Chair of Scrutiny Committee and Vice
Chair of Norwich Area Highways Committee

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Purpose

To consider the appointment of chair of scrutiny committee and vice chair of norwich highways agency committee.

Recommendations

1. To appoint councillor Stephenson as chair of scrutiny committee, retrospectively from 14 September, 2010.
2. To appoint councillor Bremner as vice chair of norwich highways agency committee

Financial Consequences

None

Strategic Priority and Outcome

The report helps to meet the strategic priority "Aiming for excellence – ensuring the council is efficient in its use of resources, is effective in delivering its plans, is a good employer and communicates effectively with its customers, staff and partners"

Executive Member: Councillor Morphew - leader of the council

Ward: All

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Background Documents

None

Report

1. The appointments of chair of scrutiny committee and vice chair of norwich highways agency committee are usually made at the annual general meeting.
2. Following the elections held in September, 2010 as a result of the high court judgement regarding unitary status, new political balance came into effect. Political groups made appointments to the revised overall membership of committees and working parties.
3. The council's constitution requires the chair of scrutiny to be drawn from a minority group. Following the election the green group nominated councillor Stephenson as the new chair. Other group leaders agreed that it was appropriate that this appointment commence straight away and councillor Stephenson has acted as chair of scrutiny committee since 14 September, 2010. Council approval is required to ratify that appointment
4. Norwich highways agency committee is a joint committee with Norfolk County Council. The chair is a county appointment and the vice chair is a Norwich City Council appointment. Labour group has nominated councillor Bremner