

CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

26 JUNE 2008

APPOINTMENT TO THE INDEPENDENT PANEL ON MEMBERS' REMUNERATION

RICHARD LONG: DIRECTOR OF LEGAL & DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1 To seek Committee confirmation of the recent appointment to the Independent Panel on Members' Remuneration.

BACKGROUND

- 2 In February this year Committee confirmed that Brian Footit should serve a further term of office on the Independent Panel on Members' Remuneration, and confirmed the appointment of a new member of the Panel, Paul Hopson.
- 3 Members were also informed that John Wright had declined to re-apply for membership of the Panel following expiry of his three year term of office, due to work commitments. Finally, Members were informed that in 2007 Alexander Porter had retired due to ill-health, and so the Panel still had one vacancy.
- 4 One of the Members present informed Committee that Alexander Porter had now recovered from his period of illness, and was again taking an active part in community matters. In view of this information, the Members' Office Manager was asked to make contact with Mr Porter to see if he was interested in serving a further three year term of office
- 5 As requested, Mr Porter was contacted, and has now re-applied to serve a further three year term of office on the Independent Panel.

- 6 Mr Porter made a valuable contribution to the work of the Independent Panel during his previous membership, and the Chair of the Panel, Dr Jim Whiston, has indicated that he would welcome Mr Porter's renewed membership.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 7 That Committee confirms the appointment of Alexander Porter to the Independent Panel on Members' Remuneration for a period of up to 3 years:

BACKGROUND PAPERS

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