

<b>MIDDLESBROUGH COUNCIL</b>	
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<b>Report of:</b>	Director of Legal and Governance Services (Monitoring Officer)
<b>Submitted to:</b>	Council
<b>Date:</b>	21 May 2025
<b>Title:</b>	Appointments by the Council and Executive to Joint Committees and Outside Bodies – 2025-2026
<b>Report for:</b>	Decision
<b>Status:</b>	Public
<b>Council Plan priority:</b>	Delivering Best Value
<b>Key decision:</b>	No
<b>Why:</b>	Not applicable
<b>Subject to call in?</b>	No
<b>Why:</b>	Not applicable

Proposed decision(s)
<p>That the Council</p> <p>Approves:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Subject to amendments to places indicated in the attached schedules, the appointments which are the responsibility of the Council.</li> <li>2. Bodies identified in the schedules submitted be regarded as approved duties for the payment of travel and subsistence allowance.</li> <li>3. Subject to consultation with the Deputy Mayor (for Executive appointments), the Group Leader (where a vacancy rests specifically with that political group), or the Chair of Council (for all other nominations/appointments), that the Monitoring Officer be authorised to remove or replace representatives on outside bodies.</li> <li>4. That a report on any outstanding Outside Body vacancies be submitted to the next Council meeting.</li> </ol>

That the Council

Notes:

5. The nomination of representatives/vacancies detailed in Appendix B – Council/Executive appointments and Appendix C – Executive appointments.

### **Executive summary**

The Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities) (England) Regulations 2000 (as amended) provide for the discharge of the Council's functions through Executive arrangements.

The appendices to the report set out details of the Joint Committees and Outside Bodies to which Middlesbrough Council may make nominations or appointments.

## **1. Purpose of this report and its contribution to the achievement of the Council Plan ambitions**

- 1.1 To consider the appointment of representatives to Joint Committees and Outside Bodies for the Municipal Year of 2025-2026, or until amended by Council/Executive (whichever is the latter).
- 1.2 This report will contribute towards the Council Plan ambition to deliver best value by ensuring robust and effective corporate governance.

## **2. Recommendations**

### **2.1 That the Council:**

Approves:

- 2.1.1 Subject to amendments to places indicated in the attached schedules, the appointments which are the responsibility of the Council.
- 2.1.2 Bodies identified in the schedules submitted be regarded as approved duties for the payment of travel and subsistence allowance.
- 2.1.3 Subject to consultation with the Deputy Mayor (for Executive appointments), the Group Leader (where a vacancy rests specifically with that political group), or the Chair of Council (for all other nominations/appointments), that the Monitoring Officer be authorised to remove or replace representatives on Outside Bodies.
- 2.1.5 That a report on any outstanding Outside Body vacancies be submitted to the next Council meeting.

Notes:

- 2.1.6 The nomination of representatives/vacancies detailed in Appendix B –

## Council/Executive appointments and Appendix C – Executive appointments.

### **3. Rationale for the recommended decision(s)**

- 3.1 The Council has agreed to appoint to those Outside Bodies listed in the attached schedules and the appointments are usually agreed at the Council's Annual Meeting.

### **4. Background and relevant information**

- 4.1 The report provides an opportunity for the Council and the Executive to review its appointments to Outside Bodies and to make any necessary changes.
- 4.2 The Local Authorities (Functions and Responsibilities) (England) Regulations 2000 (as amended) provide for the discharge of the Council's functions through Executive arrangements.
- 4.3 The appendices to this report set out details of the joint committees and outside bodies to which Middlesbrough Council may make nominations or appointments and identify:

- (i) proposed representation requiring approval by the Council:

Appendix A – Council nominations

Appendix B – Council/Executive nominations (Nominations within Appendix B are local choice matters which are nominated on a shared basis between Council and Executive).

- (ii) Appendix C - representation approved by the Executive via delegation to the Deputy Mayor as outlined in the Mayor's Executive Scheme of Delegation:

#### **Deputy Mayor – Delegated Authority**

The Deputy Mayor has delegated powers:

- a. To appoint to outside bodies, made by the Executive or jointly with Council.
- b. To appoint to Executive Advisory Bodies (Excluding membership to the Full Executive).

### **5. Ward Member Engagement if relevant and appropriate**

- 5.1 Not relevant.

### **6. Other potential alternative(s) and why these have not been recommended**

- 6.1 Decide not to appoint to Outside Bodies - As a representative on an Outside Body, Councillors may report back to the Council whenever they or the organisation feel that a matter is of major significance to the Council or to the town.

**7. Impact(s) of the recommended decision(s)**

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Impact</b>
Financial (including procurement and Social Value)	There are no financial implications or impact on any budgets or the Medium-Term Financial Plan (MTFP) arising from the content of this report.
Legal	The Council is required to fill vacancies in accordance with Local Government legislation.
Risk	Failure to adhere to Local Code of Corporate Governance and deliver governance improvements outlined in the Annual Governance Statement. The Council can be kept up to date on any significant developments that may affect the town or the authority by the representative on the Outside Body.
Human Rights, Public Sector Equality Duty and Community Cohesion	The subject of this report is not a policy, strategy, function or service that is new or being revised. It is considered that an equality impact assessment is not required.
Reducing Poverty	Not Applicable.
Climate Change / Environmental	Not Applicable.
Children and Young People Cared for by the Authority and Care Leavers	Not Applicable.
Data Protection	Not Applicable.

**Actions to be taken to implement the recommended decision(s)**

<b>Action</b>	<b>Responsible Officer</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
Inform the Outside Bodies which Councillors have been selected to sit on the various Outside Bodies.	Democratic Services Manager	30 June 2025

**Appendices**

<b>1</b>	Appendix A - Council Appointments to Outside Bodies
<b>2</b>	Appendix B – Council/Executive Appointments to Outside Bodies
<b>3</b>	Appendix C – Executive Appointments to Outside Bodies

**Background papers**

<b>Body</b>	<b>Report title</b>	<b>Date</b>

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