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Report Number **C/21/17**

To: Date: Status: Head of service: Leader of the Council 16 June 2021 Non-executive decision Amandeep Khroud, Assistant Director -Governance & Law

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES 2021/22 – SOUTH EAST EMPLOYERS

SUMMARY: This report requests an appointment to the outside bodies, South East Employers. The Leader has responsibility for overall strategy and leadership.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Leader is asked to agree the recommendations set out below because he has responsibility for overall strategy and leadership to the outside bodies for 2021/22, acting under delegated powers, the Leader may make or change an appointment of the Council, to an outside body.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. To receive and note Report C/21/17.
- 2. To appoint Councillor David Monk to the South East Employers outside body for 2021/22.

1. SOUTH EAST EMPLOYERS

This organisation is an employers' organisation for local authorities in the South East covering the geographical boundaries of Berkshire, Buckinghamshire, East Sussex, Hampshire, the Isle of Wight, Kent, Oxfordshire, Surrey and West Sussex.

2. AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE SOUTH EAST EMPLOYERS

- 2.1 Be an active and influential employers' organisation for local government in the south east of England.
- 2.2 Represent our member councils' collective interests at a national and regional level.
- 2.3. Provide expert and local knowledge and advice on employee relations, organisational and member development, workforce planning, equality and diversity, recruitment and assessment, pay, grading and allowances, mediation and conflict resolution.
- 2.4. Provide seminars, development opportunities and events for, primarily, councillors, managers, human resources and health & safety professionals, democratic services officers and scrutiny officers.
- 2.5. Represent the south east region employers' side on the SE Regional Joint Committee with local authority trade unions.
- 2.6. Support councils in achieving the SE Charter for Councillor Development Charter.
- 2.7. Respond to consultation documents on relevant issues.
- 2.8 Obtain, collate and disseminate information to members regarding both employment in local government and general conditions of service and employment; including a survey on members' allowances.

3. THE ROLE AND PROFILE OF A COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATIVE SERVING ON THE SOUTH EAST EMPLOYERS

Each council nominates their representatives, with the same number of standing deputies. Full representatives have voting rights and the period of office is for one year (renewable on a yearly basis as required by the council).

See attached for further information on Councillor role profile.

4. LEGAL/FINANCIAL AND OTHER CONTROLS/POLICY MATTERS

4.1 Legal Officer's Comments

There are no legal implications arising directly from this report.

4.2 Finance Officer's Comments

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

4.3 **Diversity and Equality Implications**

No implications arising directly from this report.

5. CONTACT OFFICER AND BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Councillors with any questions arising from this report should contact the following officer prior to the meeting:

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The following background documents have been relied upon in the preparation of this report: None