



Border to Coast Joint Committee

Date of Meeting: 29th September 2022

Report Title: Election Results

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1.0 Executive Summary:

1.1 This report provides members with details of the results of the following elections which were carried out remotely over the summer:

- Chair and Vice Chair of the Joint Committee
- Non-Executive Director to sit on the Border to Coast Company Board
- Since the elections were conducted one of the Scheme Member Representatives has submitted their resignation.

2.0 Recommendation:

2.1 It is recommended that that the contents of this report are noted and that the position of Vice Chair is formally confirmed.

3.0 Election Results

3.1 As previously reported the terms of the Inter Authority Agreement (IAA) together with the Joint Committee's Constitution and other subsequent decisions and agreements require that elections are held for the following roles

- Chair and Vice Chair of the Joint Committee
- Partner Fund Nominated Non-Executive Director for a term of two years.

3.2 Arrangements were made for South Yorkshire Pensions Authority to conduct the elections remotely over the summer. The results were as follows:

- Chair of the Joint Committee – Councillor Doug McMurdo the Chair of the Bedfordshire Pension Fund was declared elected unopposed.
- Vice Chair of the Joint Committee – no nominations were received. Members are invited to accept nominations for the position of Vice Chair at the meeting on 29 September 2022.
- Partner Fund Nominated Non-Executive Director – Cllr David Coupe of Teeside Pension Fund was nominated and elected in this role.

3.3 Given that the Governance Review has recommended a three-year term for the Shareholder Nominated Non-Executive Directors and this proposal has not encountered any opposition it is proposed that Cllr Coupe be appointed for three years in order to move to the new arrangements at the earliest opportunity.

3.4 Deirdre Burnet one of the Scheme Member representatives on the Joint Committee has submitted their resignation since the elections were concluded. As there are no specific provisions in relation to the filling of so called “casual vacancies” members are invited to consider how they would wish to approach this situation. Given Ms Burnet’s service on the Committee since the institution of the scheme member representatives members may also wish to formally express their thanks for her service.

4.0 Recommendation

4.1 It is recommended that

- a. The results set out in the body of this report be noted
- b. Nominations for Vice Chair be invited at the meeting.
- c. The Committee agree to the appointment of Cllr David Coup as a Non-Executive Director for a term of three years.
- d. Members consider the approach to the filling of a casual vacancy for a scheme member representative.

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