

Adult Social Care Committee

Item No.....

Report title:	Internal and External Appointments
Date of meeting:	4 September 2017
Responsible Chief Officer:	Wendy Thomson, Managing Director
Executive Summary: At its meeting on 19 June 2017, the Committee deferred consideration of the appointment of a Member Champion for Learning Difficulties and also a Member Champion for Physical Disability and Sensory Impairment. This report asks Members to consider making these appointments. Subsequently, a request has been received for the Committee to appoint a Member to serve on the Norfolk Safeguarding Adults Board (NSAB) and Members are invited to consider making that appointment. Recommendation: That Members consider and make appointments to the following posts: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Member Champions for Learning Difficulties• Member Champion for Physical Disability and Sensory Impairment• Member of the Norfolk Safeguarding Adults Board (NSAB).	

1. Proposal

a. Member Champions

1.1 At the meeting of the Committee held on 19 June, the Committee deferred consideration of the appointment of a Member Champion for Learning Difficulties and a Member Champion for Physical Disability and Sensory Impairment.

1.2 Communities Committee has recommended that that the Member who is appointed as Member Champion for Physical Disability and Sensory Impairment should also serve as the Council's representative on Norfolk and Norwich Association for the Blind.

b. Norfolk Safeguarding Adults Board (NSAB)

1.3 The Norfolk Safeguarding Adults Board (NSAB) helps and protects adults in Norfolk who have care and support needs and who are experiencing, or are at risk of, abuse or neglect. An SAB has to do this by:

- assuring itself that local safeguarding arrangements are in place as defined by the Care Act 2014 and statutory guidance;
- assuring itself that safeguarding practice is person-centred and outcome-focused;
- working collaboratively to prevent abuse and neglect where possible
- ensuring agencies and individuals give timely and proportionate responses when abuse or neglect have occurred;
- assuring itself that safeguarding practice is continuously improving and enhancing the quality of life of adults in its area.

The SAB must lead adult safeguarding arrangements across its locality and oversee and coordinate the effectiveness of the safeguarding work of its member and partner agencies. The elected member representative plays a key role linking the County Council to the Board and helping develop Norfolk safeguarding adults work and would join 24 colleagues from statutory agencies including police, the local authority, health commissioning and representatives from the acute hospital providers, community health providers, prisons, probation, community and voluntary sector, Healthwatch, fire and rescue, PCC Office. The board is led by Joan Maughan, independent chair.

2. Financial Implications

The decisions members make will have a small financial implication for the members allowances budget, as attendance at an internal or external body is an approved duty under the scheme, for which members may claim travel expenses.

3. Issues, risks and innovation

4.1 There are no other relevant implications to be considered by members.

Background Papers – There are no background papers relevant to the preparation of this report

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