

## **ROCHDALE TOWNSHIP DELEGATION ARRANGEMENTS AND APPOINTMENTS 2017/18**

9 The Township Committee considered a report of the Acting Director of Resources that asked Members to confirm the Committee's delegated decision making arrangements and to make appointments to the Township Sub-Committees, including the Chairs, Vice Chairs and substitute members; the appointment of "lead" opposition spokespersons; and the appointment to various Priority Groups and Other Township Bodies.

The recommendations were presented as the Council has established and appoints Township Committees to undertake certain executive and non-executive powers, as set out in the Responsibility for Council Functions in Part 3 of the Council's Constitution.

In addition the Township's Sub-Committee exercises either delegated powers or acts on any matter detailed in the Committee's Terms of Reference on which it is essential to take a decision. Appointments to the Sub-Committee are made, as far as is possible, in accordance with the Township Committee's political balance. The proper appointment of Sub-Committees is required to permit the undertaking of delegated functions in accordance with statutory and procedural requirements, and appointments to Working Groups and Other Bodies are required to enable the Township Committee to undertake and to respond to the full range of issues relevant to the Township.

Alternatives considered: the Committee could choose not to appoint to sub-committees and undertake all delegated functions themselves, but that this may have a detrimental impact on the ability to progress Township priorities or deal with urgent items of business.

**DECIDED – That (1) the current Sub-Committee structure of the Rochdale Township Committee comprising of the Rochdale Township Action and Resources Delegated Sub-Committee and the terms of reference, as outlined at Appendix 1 of the submitted report, be approved;**

**(2) Members be appointed as follows: –**

**(a) Rochdale Township Action and Resources Sub-Committee:  
Councillors – Cecile Biant (Chair), Shakil Ahmed (Vice Chair); Sultan Ali, Heakin, Nickson, Sheerin, Sullivan, Winkler and Zaman;  
Substitute Members - Councillors Holly, O'Neill, Rashid and Zaheer;  
The opposition spokesperson be Councillor Sullivan;**

**(b) The relevant Ward Councillors be appointed to attend their respective Ward Forum;**

**(c) Clean and Green Priority Group - Councillors Shakil Ahmed (Chair), Hornby (Vice Chair), Ali Ahmed, Cocks, Heakin Holly, Howard, Meredith, and Zaheer;**

**Substitute Members – Cecile Biant, O'Neill and Rashid;**

**(d) Communities and Engagement Priority Group – Councillors Rashid (Chair), Nickson (Vice Chair), Ali Ahmed, Daalat Ali, Cocks, Duckworth, Gartside, Wazir and Zaheer;**

**Substitute Members – Sultan Ali, Cecile Biant, Sullivan and Zaman;**

**(e) Rochdale Regeneration Members Group – Councillors O’Neill (Chair), Cecile Biant (Vice Chair), Sultan Ali, Brosnan, Holly, Meredith, Sheerin, Sullivan and Zaheer;**

**Substitute Members – Shakil Ahmed, Surinder Biant, Brett and Gartside;**

**(f) Township Older Persons Champion – Councillor Sheerin;**

**(g) Township Young Persons Champion – Councillor Meredith;**

**(3) any amendments to the appointments be delegated to the Chair of the Rochdale Township Committee.**

Eligible for Call-in: No.

## **TOWNSHIP PLANNING PANELS**

20 The Township Committee considered a report of the Director of Economy which set out proposals for the determination of Township engagement with current and emerging Planning Proposals and the priorities for the use of current or prospective S106 funds.

The report was presented to seek the views of elected Members in relation to planning applications and S106 funds which impact on the Township in order to provide the benefit of the understanding of the local environment to inform Planning decisions.

Alternatives Considered - The alternative option was to retain existing arrangements. Officers had discounted this option as it would not realise the benefits of local knowledge the Townships could input into planning decisions.

**DECIDED - That (1) matters relating to S106 funds which reside within the Township are to be considered by the Rochdale Action and Resources Delegated Sub-Committee;**

**(2) a Rochdale Township Planning Panel be formed consisting of one Member from each ward, excluding those appointed to the Planning & Licensing Committee, to act as a consultative body in relation to proposed and submitted planning applications;**

**(3) Members be appointed to the Rochdale Township Planning Panel as follows: –**

**Balderstone and Kirkholt Ward - Councillor Nickson**

**Bamford Ward- Ward Member to be notified**

**Castleton Ward – Ward Member to be notified**

**Central Rochdale Ward - Councillor Iftikhar Ahmed**

**Kingsway Ward - Councillor Shakil Ahmed**

**Milkstone and Deeplish Ward - Councillor Zaheer (Chair)**

**Norden Ward – Councillors Gartside, Holly, and Winkler (1 member be in attendance per meeting subject to availability)**

**Spotland and Falinge Ward - Councillor Cecile Biant**

**Healey Ward - Councillor Wazir**

Eligible for Call – In - No