

Report to the Annual Meeting of the Council

Appointments to Outside Bodies 2025/2026

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Reason for Decision

To confirm various appointments as nominated by the Political Groups represented on the Council, to be made to a number of Outside Bodies for the 2025/26 Municipal Year, as outlined in the appendices to this report.

Recommendations

1. That appointments to the Outside Bodies listed in the Appendices, for the 2025/26 Municipal Year, be agreed.
2. That the Chief Executive be given delegated authority to make any in-year changes to appointments where notified.

Outside Bodies 2025/2026

1. Background

- 1.1 The Council is represented on a variety of trusts, limited companies, joint boards, joint committees and other outside bodies.
- 1.2 At the annual meeting of the Council, Elected Members are required to make appointments to the various bodies. The Appendices set out the number of Elected Members the Council can appoint to each body, and any particular requirements over which Members are eligible for appointment.
- 1.3 Upon accepting the appointment and in some circumstances, Members should note that they may find themselves taking on additional legal duties, e.g. as a trustee of a charity or a director of a company, where they will, in essence be obliged to act in the best interests of that organisation. The exact nature of these legal duties will depend upon the nature of the organisation in question and the role they are appointed to. There is also potential for future conflicts of interests between such a role and their role as an Elected Member.
- 1.4 Any Member appointed is requested to undertake, as required, any Member training arranged on the appointment to the outside body, and the associated legal duties of directors and trustees.

2. Consultation

- 2.1 Consultation has taken place with relevant officers and councillors.

3 Financial Implications

- 3.1 n/a

4 Legal Implications

- 4.1 There are no legal implications.

5 Equality Impact including implications for Children and Young Persons

- 5.1 None.

7 Key Decision

- 7.1 No

8 Key Decision Reference

- 8.1 Not applicable.

9 Appendices

9.1 The proposed appointments to outside bodies are detailed in appendices 1 -6 to the report.

10 **Background Papers**

10.1 The following is a list of the background papers on which this report is based in accordance with the requirements of Section 100 (1) of the Local Government Act 1972. It does not include documents which would disclose exempt or confidential information as defined by that Act.

Outside Bodies - 2024/25 and 2025/26 files

Any person wishing to inspect copies of the above background papers should contact the Constitutional Services: constitutional.services@oldham.gov.uk