

## **Report to the Annual Meeting of the Council**

# **Election of Mayor**

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### **Reason for Decision**

The election of the chair of the Council (Mayor) is a Council function in accordance with provisions of the Local Government Act 1972.

### **Recommendations**

1. That the Council elects a Mayor for the municipal year 2026/2027 and receives nomination(s) for the position.

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1 **Background**

1.1 The election of the chair of the Council (Mayor) is a Council function in accordance with provisions of the Local Government Act 1972.

2 **Options/Alternatives**

2.1 It is a statutory requirement that the election of Mayor is the first item on the agenda of the annual meeting of the Council.

3 **Consultation**

3.1 N/A.

4 **Financial Implications**

4.1 N/A.

5 **Legal Implications**

5.1 If we are unable to appoint a Mayor, we must adjourn the meeting as decisions would be unlawful.

6 **Equality Impact, including implications for Children and Young People**

6.1 None.

7 **Key Decision**

7.1 No.

8 **Key Decision Reference**

8.1 N/A.

9 **Appendices**

9.1 None.

10 **Background Papers**

10.1 None.