Status of Report: Public Agenda Item:

Meeting: Combined Fire Authority

Date: 10th February 2016

Subject: Appointments to the Corporate Governance Committee and the

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Employment Committee

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For: Decision

1. Purpose

The purpose of this report is to ask the Combined Fire Authority (CFA) to appoint Members to the Employment Committee and to the Corporate Governance Committee

2. Recommendations

The CFA is asked to:

- a) Consider nominations from the Group Leaders and make appointments to the Employment Committee and to the Corporate Governance Committee.
- b) Note that the first meeting of the Corporate Governance Committee will be on 23rd March 2016.

3. Executive Summary

At its meeting on 9th December 2015 the CFA adopted a revised Constitution which changed its structure from an Executive/Scrutiny model to a committee model. Under the revised model two standing Committees were established - an Employment Committee and a Corporate Governance Committee.

4. Report Detail

4.1. Although it was agreed that each committee should be comprised of nine members as follows,

Conservatives (4) Labour (4) Liberal Democrat (1)

County (3) County (1) County (1)

Rutland (1) City (3)

Members were not appointed to the committees.

4.2. It has been established that there is a need to hold a meeting of the Corporate

Governance Committee to receive reports from both the Authority's internal and external auditors. Accordingly provisional arrangements have been made for the Corporate Governance Committee to meet on 23rd March 2016, a date which had been set down for the previous Overview and Scrutiny Committee to meet.

4.3. The Group Leaders have been approached and asked to put forward nominations for the Committees for the Authority to consider.

5. Report Implications / Impact

5.1. Legal (including crime and disorder)

The establishment of arrangements for the Corporate Governance Committee to meet and the consideration by the Committee of various reports will enable the CFA to meet the obligations of preparing its Annual Governance Statement and ensuring that proper arrangements to secure economy, efficiency and effectiveness in its use of resources are in place.

5.2. Financial (including value for money, benefits and efficiencies)

The establishment of arrangements for the Corporate Governance Committee to meet and the consideration by the Committee of various reports will contribute to the ability of the CFA to meet the obligation of securing value for money in its use of resources.

5.3. Risk (including corporate and operational, health and safety and any impact on the continuity of service delivery)

Failure to ensure the proper discharge of its functions would incur reputational risk for the CFA.

5.4. Staff, Service Users and Stakeholders (including the Equality Impact Assessment)

None identified.

5.5. **Environmental**

None identified.

5.6. Impact upon Our Plan Objectives

Failure to ensure the proper management of its resources could impact on the ability of the CFA to meet its Plan Objectives

6. Background Papers

CFA Constitution 7th edition - Revised 9th December 2015

7. Appendices

None.