

City Council



Date of meeting:	27 March 2023
Title of Report:	Appointment of Independent Persons
Lead Member:	Councillor James Stoneman (Cabinet Member for Climate Change and Governance)
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Your Reference:	
Key Decision:	No
Confidentiality:	Part I - Official

Purpose of Report

To seek Council's approval to appoint Independent Persons.

Recommendations and Reasons

That Council approve the appointment of Rob Jeanes and Ian Brooking as Independent Persons.

Alternative options considered and rejected

Not to appoint Independent Persons – the Council is required to have the input of Independent Persons in respect of Standards and the disciplinary of relevant statutory officers. Retained Independent Persons will remove the requirement to procure support on a case by case basis.

Relevance to the Corporate Plan and/or the Plymouth Plan

The role of Independent persons supports both the democratic and fair values in the Council's Corporate Plan.

Implications for the Medium Term Financial Plan and Resource Implications:

There is a payment of £1500 per annum proposed for expenses for each IP which will be met from existing revenue resources.

Financial Risks

None specific to the recommendations in this report.

Carbon Footprint (Environmental) Implications:

None specific to the recommendations in this report.

Other Implications: e.g. Health and Safety, Risk Management, Child Poverty:

* When considering these proposals members have a responsibility to ensure they give due regard to the Council's duty to promote equality of opportunity, eliminate unlawful discrimination and promote good relations between people who share protected characteristics under the Equalities Act and those who do not.

None specific to the recommendations in this report.

Appendices

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Originating Senior Leadership Team member: Emma Jackman (Monitoring Officer)											
Please confirm the Strategic Director(s) has agreed the report? Yes											
Date agreed: 17/03/2023											
Cabinet Member approval: James Stoneman (Cabinet Member for Climate Change and Governance)											
Date approved: 17/03/2023											

