

**ANNUAL COUNCIL  
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**PART 1 – PUBLIC DOCUMENT**

**TITLE OF REPORT: APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE CABINET FOR 2019/20**

REPORT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SERVICES MANAGER

COUNCIL PRIORITY: RESPONSIVE AND EFFICIENT

**1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is, if appointments are available, to inform the Council of the Leader's appointment of members of the Cabinet for 2019/20.

**2. Recommendations**

- 2.1 That, if available, the Members to be appointed as Executive Members of the Cabinet for 2019/20 and the areas for which they will be responsible.

**3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 3.1 To comply with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2000 and Sections 4.8.1 (vii), 5.2 and 5.3.4 of the Council's Constitution.

**4. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

- 4.1 None.

**5. CONSULTATION WITH RELEVANT MEMBERS AND EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS**

- 5.1 The Leader of the Council will inform the Council of the appointment of Cabinet Members for 2019/20.

**6. FORWARD PLAN**

- 6.1 This report does not contain a recommendation on a key decision and has not been referred to in the Forward Plan.

**7. BACKGROUND**

- 7.1 As required as one of the choices of political model set out in the Local Government Act 2000, North Hertfordshire District Council has adopted a Leader and Cabinet form of executive governance.

## **8. RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS**

- 8.1 Under Section 5.2 of the Council's Constitution, it is set out that the Cabinet will consist of:

“5.2.1 the Leader of the Council (the “Leader”); and

5.2.2 at least two but not more than nine (or other parameters set by legislation) Councillors appointed to the Cabinet as Executive Members by the Leader.”

- 8.2 If available Appendix A to the report (to be tabled at the meeting) will set out the Leader's appointments to the Cabinet Executive Member positions for 2019/20.

- 8.3 In accordance with Section 5.3.4 of the Council's Constitution, it is also required that “within two weeks of being elected as Leader, the Leader will submit to the Proper Officer a Cabinet Scheme of Delegations setting out the responsibilities and delegated authority of each member of the Cabinet and any other delegation of any Executive Function the Leader chooses to make.”

## **9. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 9.1 Section 5.2 of the Council's Constitution sets out that the Cabinet will consist of:

“5.2.1 the Leader of the Council (the “Leader”); and

5.2.2 at least two but not more than nine (or other parameters set by legislation) Councillors appointed to the Cabinet as Executive Members by the Leader.”

- 9.2 Section 4.8.1(vii) of the Council's Constitution states that Annual Council will:

“note the number of Members to be appointed to the Cabinet and the appointment those Members”

- 9.3 Section 5.3.4 of the Council's Constitution sets out that:

“Within two weeks of being elected as Leader the Leader will submit to the Proper Officer a Cabinet Scheme of Delegations setting out the responsibilities and delegated authority of each member of the Cabinet and any other delegation of any Executive Function the Leader chooses to make.”

## **10. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 10.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report

## **11. RISK IMPLICATIONS**

- 11.1 There are no direct risk implications arising from this report.

## **12. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS**

- 12.1 In line with the Public Sector Equality Duty, public bodies must, in the exercise of their functions, give due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation, to advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between those who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
- 12.2 There are no direct equalities implications arising from this report.

## **13. SOCIAL VALUE IMPLICATIONS**

- 13.1 The Social Value Act and “go local” policy do not apply to this report.

## **14. HUMAN RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

- 14.1 There are no human resource implications.

## **15. APPENDICES**

- 15.1 Appendix A – Cabinet Members 2019/20 and their Portfolio Responsibilities - this will , if available, be tabled at the Annual Council meeting on 21 May 2019.

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## **17. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 17.1 None.