

BASFORD AND BESTWOOD AREA COMMITTEE – 20 SEPTEMBER 2017

Title of paper:	Area 2 Committee Community Representatives	
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Relevant Council Plan Key Theme:

Strategic Regeneration and Development	<input type="checkbox"/>
Schools	<input type="checkbox"/>
Planning and Housing	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community Services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Energy, Sustainability and Customer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jobs, Growth and Transport	<input type="checkbox"/>
Adults, Health and Community Sector	<input type="checkbox"/>
Children, Early Intervention and Early Years	<input type="checkbox"/>
Leisure and Culture	<input type="checkbox"/>
Resources and Neighbourhood Regeneration	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Summary of issues (including benefits to citizens/service users):

The report invites the Area Committee to formally appoint Community Representatives from the Basford and Bestwood Wards onto the Area 2 Committee as required by the Terms of References for the Role of Area Committee Community Representatives.

Local organisations are invited annually to nominate a representative to the Area Committee. The role of the community representative and the procedure for accepting nominations is outlined in Appendix 1.

Recommendation:

1	That the Committee appoints those listed in appendix 2 as Area Committee Community Representatives for the municipal year 2017/18.
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1 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1.1 The Council's constitution requires Area Committees to formally confirm Community Representatives at the start of the municipal year and encourage citizens living in the ward to become involved in democratic decision making process alongside Councillors.

2 BACKGROUND (INCLUDING OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION)

- 2.1 Each year the Area Committee invites nominations from relevant groups and organisations and appoints representatives from the wards. Nominations are attracted from groups that are active in the area, but there is also the need to ensure that the Committee reflects the views of all sectors of its community.
- 2.2 The role of the Community Representatives on an Area Committee has been designed to bring citizens living in the area in question into the democratic decision making process alongside Councillors.
- 2.3 The Terms of Reference for the Role of Area Committee Community Representatives include guidance on the selection and the role of the Community Representative and is designed to help achieve reflective representation of the ward.
- 2.4 The Council's constitution requires Area Committees to confirm community representatives at the start of each municipal year, normally a meeting in May and the Neighbourhood Development Officers have been liaising with local community groups in advance of this meeting.
- 2.5 Nomination forms were sent out along with the Terms and References for the Role of Area Committee Representative to groups and organisations on the basis that it provides a geographical representation of the ward.
- 2.6 Completed nomination forms and expression of interest for Community Representatives onto the Area 2 Committee for the municipal year 2017/18 were received from groups and community organisations and these are listed in appendix.

3 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED IN MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 None.

4 FINANCE COMMENTS (INCLUDING IMPLICATIONS AND VALUE FOR MONEY/VAT)

- 4.1 That the Area Committee set aside a small budget for the payment of travel and care costs for Community Representatives.

5 LEGAL AND PROCUREMENT COMMENTS (INCLUDING RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES, AND LEGAL, CRIME AND DISORDER ACT AND PROCUREMENT IMPLICATIONS)

- 5.1 None.

6 STRATEGIC ASSETS & PROPERTY COMMENTS (FOR DECISION RELATING TO ALL PROPERTY ASSETS AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE) (AREA COMMITTEE REPORTS ONLY)

6.1 None

7 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

7.1 An EIA is not required as this is not a new or changing policy, service or function.

8 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS OTHER THAN PUBLISHED WORKS OR THOSE DISCLOSING CONFIDENTIAL OR EXEMPT INFORMATION

8.1 None.

9 PUBLISHED DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO IN COMPILING THIS REPORT

9.1 None.