



HEALTH AND WELLBEING BOARD

Wednesday, 21 December 2022

REPORT TITLE:	CO-OPTION OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
REPORT OF:	DIRECTOR OF LAW AND GOVERNANCE

REPORT SUMMARY

This report recommends a co-option to the Board.

RECOMMENDATION/S

The Health and Wellbeing Board is recommended to Co-opt onto the Health and Wellbeing Board a representative from Wirral Chamber of Commerce.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.0 REASON/S FOR RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1.1 To confirm and formalise the co-option of the Executive Director, or her nominated reserve, Wirral Chamber of Commerce.

2.0 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 An alternative option was to not include Wirral Chamber. However, including a representative of Wirral Chamber of Commerce allows them to be more involved in discussion on the health and wellbeing work undertaken on the Wirral.

3.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 The Health and Wellbeing Board is a partnership body and has historically invited attendees from various organisations to participate in meetings or be co-opted to the Board to support effective decision-making.
- 3.2 Wirral Chamber of Commerce supports and represents local businesses and provides business support services to enable them to compete and grow.
- 3.3 Officers feel that the Health and Wellbeing Board would benefit from representation from the Chamber to support public-private sector partnership working and help Wirral be a vibrant place where businesses, community and residents can thrive.

4.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There are no financial implications.

5.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Any individual co-opted to the Health and Wellbeing Board will be a non-voting member.
- 5.2 Changes to the formal membership as defined in the Constitution would require endorsement by the Constitution and Standards Committee and approval by Council. Co-options can be agreed by the Board.

6.0 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS: STAFFING, ICT AND ASSETS

- 6.1 There are no resource implications.

7.0 RELEVANT RISKS

- 7.1 Having an unclear membership risks decision making not being taken in accordance with the defined Terms of Reference.
- 7.2 Not having a representative from the Chamber risks clients and companies from that sector not having a voice when the Board considers policies that may affect them.

8.0 ENGAGEMENT/CONSULTATION

8.1 No additional consultation has been undertaken.

9.0 EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no direct equality implications.

10.0 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are no direct environmental and climate implications.

11.0 COMMUNITY WEALTH IMPLICATIONS

11.1 The Chamber are part of an effective public-private sector partnership to stimulate business and community wealth in Wirral and help it to be an area recognised for investment, job creation, social wellbeing and economic inclusion.

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APPENDICES

None.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

The Health and Social Care Act 2012
Council Constitution

SUBJECT HISTORY (last 3 years)

Council Meeting	Date
Health and Wellbeing Board membership	16 June 2021