

DUDLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

BRIERLEY HILL AREA COMMITTEE – 7TH JULY, 2004

APPOINTMENT OF WORKING GROUPS

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF LAW AND PROPERTY

1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 To consider the appointment of Working Groups of the Committee for the ensuing municipal year.

2.0 BACKGROUND

2.1 The Committee is asked to determine the member numbers to serve on Working Groups in the 2004/05 municipal year. In this regard the Committee is asked to consider the following issues:

2.1.1 Brierley Hill Area Committee Community Plan

Under the terms of reference, each Area Committee is required to develop and produce a local Community Plan for its respective area. It is proposed that, to progress this matter, a Working Group of members of the Committee be established. In this regard it is suggested that this Working Group comprise one member of each of the wards comprising the Committee.

2.1.2 Capital Allocations

The terms of reference of Committees provide for the Committee to determine proposals for the deployment of the delegated capital budget allocations. In the 2002/03 municipal year, a working group comprising one Member from each Ward was set up to consider applications received and make recommendations thereon to the Committee. The Committee is asked whether or not it wishes to continue with the practice for 2004/05.

2.1.3 Brierley Hill Area Committee Borough Festival Working Group

To nominate members (to include one from each ward) to sit on the Borough Festival Working Group.

2.1.4 Brierley Hill Young People's Group

To nominate members to sit on the Young People's Group.

3.0 PROPOSALS

3.1 That the Committee determine the Working Groups to be appointed for the 2004/05 municipal year and the names of members to serve, with particular reference to the issues referred to in section 2. above.

4.0 FINANCE

4.1 The proposals contained in item 3.1 above (the setting up of the working parties) will not incur a cost to the budget.

5.0 LAW

5.1 Since Working Groups do not have the status of formal Committees, the rules of proportionality which relate to seats on Committees under Section 18 of the Local Government and Housing Act, 1989 and the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations, 1990 are not applicable.

6.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

6.1 The proposals take into account the Council's equal opportunities policies.

7.0 RECOMMENDATION

7.1 That the proposals contained in paragraph 3.0 above be approved.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

8.1 The Council's Constitution.

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