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**Dudley Metropolitan Borough Council**

**North Dudley Area Committee – 15<sup>th</sup> June 2011**

**Report of the Area Liaison Officer**

**Appointment of Working Groups**

**Purpose**

1. To consider the appointment of Working Groups of the Committee for the 2011/2012 Municipal Year.

**Background**

2. In the last municipal year the Area Committee appointed the following Working Groups:  
  
North Dudley Area Committee Capital Allocations Working Group.  
North Dudley Area Committee Community Renewal Working Group.
3. The Capital Allocations Working Group has been in existence since 2000. Its principal role has been to consider all applications for funding from the Committee's Capital Allocations budget and make recommendations to the full Committee for consideration and determination. For the 2010/2011 Municipal Year the composition of the Capital Allocations Working Group was the Chairman, Vice Chairman and one Member from each of the Wards. The Vice Chairman could also act as their Ward representative, as long as all Wards were represented on the Group.  
  
All Members of the Committee may attend meetings should they so wish.
4. The North Dudley Area Committee Community Renewal Working Group was established in 2008/09 to engage with the further development of the draft local community renewal plan supported by the Area Community Renewal Officer and Head of Community Renewal Service. For the 2010/2011 Municipal Year the Working Group comprised the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Councillors Caunt, Mrs Ameson, Mrs Ridley and Stanley.

The Community Renewal Team was disbanded at the end of March 2011.

## **Finance**

5. Any costs arising from the appointment of Working Groups will be met from existing resources.

## **Law**

6. 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.

## **Equality Impact**

7. This report complies fully with the Council's policies on equality and diversity.

## **Recommendation**

8. It is recommended that the Area Committee consider the reappointment of its Working Groups for 2011/2012 and determine their composition and membership.



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## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

The Council's Constitution.