AGENDA MANAGEMENT SHEET

Name of Committee	Le	Leader Decision -Making Session		
Date of Committee	28	28 January 2010		
Report Title Summary	M a To	Review of Appointments to ESPO Management Committee To reconsider the appointment of members to the ESPO Management Committee		
For further information please contact: Would the recommended	De Ma Te jane	Jane Pollard Democratic Services Manager Tel: 01926 412565 janepollard@warwickshire.gov.uk No.		
decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy Framework?				
Background papers	No	None		
CONSULTATION ALREADY	UNDE	ERTAKEN:- Details to be specified		
Other Committees				
Local Member(s)	X	N/A		
Other Elected Members		Councillor Naylor comments -Warwickshire has been at the forefront of driving modernisation in the governance of ESPO. Constitutional requirements notwithstanding, I consider that cross party representation on ESPO has served us well in the past and should continue. Councillor Whitehouse, "I agree with Councillor Naylor's comments". Councillor Heatley - "I concur"		
Cabinet Member	X	Councillor Farnell		
Chief Executive				
Legal	X	Sarah Duxbury		
Finance				
Other Strategic Directors				



District Councils	Ш	•••••
Health Authority		
Police		
Other Bodies/Individuals		
FINAL DECISION YES		
SUGGESTED NEXT STEPS:		Details to be specified
Further consideration by this Committee		
To Council		
To Cabinet		
To an O & S Committee		
To an Area Committee		
Further Consultation		



Agenda No 2

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Review of Appointments to ESPO Management Committee

Report of the Strategic Director of Customers Workforce and Governance

Recommendation

That the following appointments are made to the ESPO Management Committee –

3 voting members: Councillors

3 voting substitutes: Councillors

Background

- 1. The Eastern Shires Purchasing Organisation (ESPO) is a joint committee of seven local authorities formed in 1981. The committee offers advice on best practice relating to procurement as well as offering a procurement service, including a catalogue service allowing those authorities in membership to benefit from economies of scale. Its remit is to improve and maintain effective, efficient and economical arrangements for the supply of goods and services to its constituent authorities.
- 2. On 23 June 2009 one voting (Councillor Heatley) and two non-voting members (Councillors Whitehouse and Naylor) were appointed. However under the constitutional arrangements for the management committee each authority has three places and one vote for each member appointed.
- 3. The Leader is invited to appoint three voting members to the Joint Committee. Normally only Cabinet members could be appointed as this is an executive joint committee joint committee. However the government has relaxed the rules where more than five local authorities are involved in a joint committee. This means that non-Cabinet members can be appointed to the ESPO management committee. The political balance rules do not apply to these appointments.
- 4. In addition the constitutional arrangements allow for the appointment of substitutes to attend and vote if one of the appointed members is unavailable. The Leader is invited to appoint up to three substitute members.



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