Agenda Item No:	14	- Fenland
Committee:	Council	
Date:	23 February 2017	C A M B R I D G E S H I R E
Report Title:	Membership of Committees and Panels - Appointments Panel	

1 Purpose / Summary

To establish an Appointments Panel and determine its composition for the municipal year 2016/17.

2 Key issues

- The Council is in the process of recruiting a Corporate Director and Section 151 Officer due to the resignation of the current post holder.
- The Constitution states that in the event that a Corporate Director post becomes vacant, with the exception of internal reviews, the Appointments Panel in conjunction with the Chief Executive will make the appointment.
- To fulfil this requirement, an Appointments Panel needs to be established and its composition determined.
- Within the Constitution, the membership of the Appointments Panel is up to 7 Members and not less than 3 Members nominated by the Leader to reflect political proportionality.
- As the Appointments Panel has not been constituted in recent times, it is recommended by the Leader that a Panel of 3 Members would be most appropriate.
- An Appointments Panel of 3 Members would have no impact on political proportionality for other committees and panels. An Appointments Panel of 3 Members would result in 3 seats to the Conservatives.

3 Recommendations

- For Members to constitute the Appointments Panel for the municipal year 2016/17.
- For Members to agree the recommendation from the Leader for the Appointments Panel to have 3 Members on this occasion.
- For Members to receive notification from the Leader who will sit on the Appointments Panel.

Wards Affected	All
Forward Plan Reference	
Portfolio Holder(s)	Councillor John Clark - Leader of the Council

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Background Paper(s)	Constitution