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| REPORT REFERENCE NO. | DSFRA/17/26 |
| MEETING | DEVON & SOMERSET FIRE & RESCUE AUTHORITY |
| DATE OF MEETING | 20 OCTOBER 2017 |
| SUBJECT OF REPORT | APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEE VACANCIES |
| LEAD OFFICER | Director of Corporate Services |
| RECOMMENDATIONS | <i>That the Authority determines appointments to the current vacancies on the Audit & Performance Review Committee, the term of office to be until the Annual Authority meeting in 2018.</i> |
| EXECUTIVE SUMMARY | <p>Changes in membership of the full Authority since the Annual Meeting in June 2017 have resulted in vacancies on the Audit & Performance Review Committee.</p> <p>The Authority is now asked to fill these vacancies for the remainder of the current (2017-18) municipal year.</p> |
| RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS | Nil. |
| EQUALITY RISKS AND BENEFITS ANALYSIS (ERBA) | The contents of this report are considered compatible with existing human rights and equalities legislation. |
| APPENDICES | Nil. |
| LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS | Report DSFRA/17/11 (Schedule of Appointments to Committees, Outside Bodies etc.) to the Authority Annual Meeting on 12 June 2017, and the Minutes of that meeting. |

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 At its Annual Meeting in June of this year, the Authority made appointments to its Committees for the current (2017-18) municipal year.
- 1.2 Since that time, however, there have been two changes in membership of the Authority (resignations by Councillors Hunt and Wallace and subsequent appointment of Councillors Napper and Vijeh). This has resulted in two vacancies on the Audit & Performance Review Committee.
- 1.3 The Authority's Standing Orders provide that, in making appointments to Committees, consideration be given to political proportionality as defined in the Local Government and Housing Act 1989. On this basis, the two vacancies on the Audit & Performance Review Committee should both be filled by Conservative Members on the Authority.
- 1.4 The Authority is now asked to consider making appointments to these vacancies for the remainder of this municipal year i.e. until the Annual Authority meeting in 2018.

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