

Report to Cabinet

Subject: Consideration of a motion referred from Council

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Wards Affected

Borough wide

Purpose

To establish a cross party working group to consider the motion at Appendix 1 and make recommendations to Cabinet.

Key Decision

This is not a key decision

Recommendation

THAT: a cross party working group comprising Cllrs Clarke, Payne, Barnfather, Ellwood, Bosworth and V McCrossen be set up to consider the motion at Appendix 1 and make recommendations to Cabinet.

1 Background

1.1 On 18 September 2019, Council considered the motion at Appendix 1 and following debate decided to refer the matter to Cabinet for consideration under Standing Order 14.08(a).

2 Proposal

2.1 It is proposed that a cross party working group comprising Cllrs Clarke, Payne, Barnfather, Ellwood, Bosworth and V McCrossen be set up to consider the motion at Appendix 1 and make recommendations to Cabinet.

2.2 It is proposed that the cross party working group will be chaired by Cllr Barnfather and will consider not only whether elected members should be

subject to basic DBS checks, but also the wider issue of safeguarding relating to the role and responsibilities of elected members and member training and development.

3 Alternative Options

- 3.1 Not to set up a working group, however this will not enable cross party member input into this important matter.

4 Financial Implications

- 4.1 None directly arising from this report.

5 Appendices

- 5.1 Appendix 1 – Motion to Council.

6 Background Papers

- 6.1 None identified.

7 Reasons for Recommendations

- 7.1 To ensure that the issues arising from the motion can be given detailed consideration with cross party member input.