

**REPORT FOR: GRANTS ADVISORY
PANEL**

Date of Meeting:	11 July 2013
Subject:	Appointment of Panel Adviser
Key Decision:	No
Responsible Officer:	Hugh Peart, Director of Legal and Governance Services
Portfolio Holder:	Councillor Nizam Ismail, Portfolio Holder for Community and Cultural Services and Housing
Exempt:	No
Decision subject to Call-in:	Yes, at Portfolio Holder stage (when the matter is considered by the Portfolio Holder upon a recommendation by the Panel)
Enclosures:	None

Section 1 – Summary and Recommendations

This report advises Members on the appointment of a non-voting adviser to the Panel for the 2013/14 municipal year, following elections for Community and Voluntary Sector (CVS) representatives. Members are requested to consider the information outlined below and whether to appoint an adviser to the Panel for the 2013/14 Municipal Year accordingly.

Recommendations:

That, in accordance with the Executive Procedure Rule 36.4 (Part 4D of the Constitution), the Panel recommends to the Portfolio Holder for Community and Cultural Services and Housing that the adviser detailed in paragraph 2.3 of this report be appointed for the 2013/14 Municipal Year.

Section 2 – Report

Brief History

- 2.1 Executive Procedure Rule 36.4 states that the Executive may appoint non-voting co-opted members to the Advisory Panels and they may appoint advisers to assist the work of the Panel either generally or on specific matters. Advisers will be subject to the Protocol on Co-optees and Advisers and to any other rights or restrictions agreed by the Panel.
- 2.2 Following elections for Voluntary and Community Sector Forum representatives, the current representative on the Grants Advisory Panel, Deven Pillay, will be standing down.
- 2.3 At a meeting of the Voluntary and Community Sector Forum, Sarah Kersey was nominated for recommendation as the Grants Advisory Panel Adviser for 2013/14 Municipal Year.

Financial Implications

- 2.4 Not applicable.

Risk Management Implications

- 2.5 If not appointed, the Panel may not have access to advice from the voluntary and community sector when conducting its business.

Equalities implications

- 2.6 To promote and enhance local democracy and public service values by increasing opportunities for participation, through effective communication and by developing the capacity to empower Harrow's communities, to go towards the public sector equality duty.

Corporate Priorities

- 2.7 Contributes to building stronger communities by allowing representation from the voluntary and community sector on an advisory panel of the Executive.

Section 3 - Statutory Officer Clearance

Name: Kanta Hirani	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	on behalf of the Chief Financial Officer
Date: 9 July 2013		
Name: Paresh Mehta	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	on behalf of the Monitoring Officer
Date: 10 July 2013		

Section 4 - Contact Details and Background Papers

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Background Papers: the Council's Constitution