

5.1. ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR

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RECOMMENDATION

That Council call for nominations and appoint a Deputy Mayor.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Section 306 (2) of the Local Government Act 2009 requires Council to appoint, by resolution, a Deputy Mayor from its Councillors (other than the Mayor) at its first meeting. The role of the Deputy Mayor is to act for the Mayor in the absence or temporary incapacity of the Mayor or during a vacancy in the office of the Mayor.

The appointment of the Deputy Mayor is defined as an "ordinary business matter" and accordingly all Councillors are deemed to not have a conflict of interest and are able to participate in this vote.

PROPOSAL

Nominations are called from Councillors for the position of Deputy Mayor and by majority vote, the Deputy Mayor is appointed.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Councillors' remuneration, including that of the Deputy Mayor, is allowed for in the 2015/2016 Annual Budget adopted by the previous Council.

CONSULTATION

Consultation is not required in this instance as nominations are called from within the elected representatives and it is a legislative requirement to appoint a Deputy Mayor at the Council's Post election Meeting.