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| Meeting of:  | <b>Cabinet</b>   |
| Date of Meeting:   | <b>Thursday, 30 November 2023</b>  |
| Relevant Scrutiny Committee:   | Healthy Living and Social Care   |
| Report Title:  | Nominations for the Roles of Independent Board Member Representing Local Authorities to the Cardiff and Vale University Health Board and the National Joint Committee for the National Adoption Service and Foster Wales |
| Purpose of Report:   | To submit a nomination from the Vale of Glamorgan Council before the associated December closing dates.  |
| Report Owner:  | Executive Leader and Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources  |
| Responsible Officer:   | Rob Thomas, Chief Executive  |
| Elected Member and Officer Consultation:   | None required  |
| Policy Framework:  | This Report is a matter for Executive decision by Cabinet.   |
| <p>Executive Summary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A formal request has been received from the Chair of the Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (UHB) for the Vale of Glamorgan Council to make nominations for the role of Independent Board Member representing Local Authorities on the Cardiff and Vale UHB now that the former Independent Board Member had completed their term of office.</li> <li>• A second request has been received from Foster Wales regarding an invitation for nominations to the National Joint Committee for the National Adoption Service and Foster Wales.</li> </ul> |  |

## **Recommendations**

- 1.** That Councillor Susan Lloyd-Selby be the Vale of Glamorgan Local Authority nomination for the role of Independent Board Member on the Cardiff and Vale University Health Board.
- 2.** Subject to Recommendation 1, that the associated CV and personal statement for Councillor Lloyd-Selby stating how they meet the Person Specification for the role be submitted to the Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (UHB) before the 15th December, 2023 closing date.
- 3.** That Councillor Eddie Williams be the Vale of Glamorgan Local Authority nomination to the National Joint Committee for the National Adoption Service and Foster Wales.
- 4.** That subject to Recommendation 3, that Foster Wales be provided with the details of the nomination before the 8th December, 2023 closing date in order to proceed with setting up an inaugural meeting.

## **Reasons for Recommendations**

**1-4** To submit the nominations from the Council before the relevant closing dates.

### **1. Background**

- 1.1** The Chair of the Cardiff and Vale University Health Board (UHB) has written to the Executive Leader of the Vale of Glamorgan Council to advise that the former Independent Board Member had completed their term of office as Independent Board Member representing Local Authorities.
- 1.2** The Vale of Glamorgan Council have subsequently been asked by the Chair of the Cardiff and Vale UHB to provide a maximum of two suitable nominations from within the compliment of Councillors from the Vale of Glamorgan Council for the role.
- 1.3** The Vale of Glamorgan Council would like to put forward a single nomination from Councillor Susan Lloyd-Selby as part of the application process for the role.
- 1.4** The final determination and appointment to the role following the established recruitment process would be made by the Minister for Health and Social Care on behalf of the Cardiff and Vale UHB.
- 1.5** Foster Wales had written to the Vale of Glamorgan Council inviting a nominated elected Member representative to join the newly established Joint Committee for the National Adoption Service and Foster Wales. It was envisaged as being the relevant Cabinet Member responsible for Children Services.
- 1.6** The Joint Committee is underpinned by a legal agreement (Joint Committee Agreement) and will be made up of elected Members representing all 22 Welsh Local Authorities. All Local Authorities have now formally approved this agreement and an inaugural meeting of the Joint Committee is being planned.
- 1.7** Foster Wales had requested a response to their request for the nomination, to be received by 8th December, 2023.

## **2. Key Issues for Consideration**

- 2.1** The Chair of the Cardiff and Vale UHB has emphasised the need for the associated partner organisations to work together.
- 2.2** The appointment is a Public Office appointment and would involve procedures to ensure that the Minister for Health and Social Care is provided with the appropriate information to allow her to appoint the individual she considers best suited to fulfil the role for Cardiff and Vale UHB.
- 2.3** Nominees would be required to submit a CV and personal statement stating how they meet the Person Specification for the role no later than 15th December, 2023.
- 2.4** Following receipt of nominations and after due considerations, nominees will be invited to interview which are scheduled to take place on 12th January, 2024.
- 2.5** The findings of the Panel will then be submitted to the Minister for her to make the appointment.
- 2.6** National Joint Committee for the National Adoption Service and Foster Wales will provide the mechanism for all Local Authorities to discharge an executive and oversight role for the National Adoption Service and Foster Wales.
- 2.7** Ongoing effective operation of the National Adoption Service requires formal co-operation between the 22 Welsh Local Authorities; the Joint Committee will facilitate this.

## **3. How do proposals evidence the Five Ways of Working and contribute to our Well-being Objectives?**

- 3.1** In terms of the Council's Corporate Plan 2020-2025, this work links to the Council's Well-Being Objectives:

Outcome 1: Work with and for our Communities

Outcome 3: Support People at Home and in their Community

- 3.2** In terms of the Five Ways of Working, as set out in the Wellbeing of Future Generations Act, the following applies to the role:

Long Term: being aware of, and addressing, the well-being of current and future generations whilst addressing the needs of the people you currently serve.

Prevention: taking an integrated approach to ensure that the interdependence that exists between the seven well-being goals and on Council and Cardiff and Vale UHB well-being objectives is recognised.

Integration: effective involvement of people and communities is at the heart of improving wellbeing currently and in the future. It recognises the importance of involving people in decisions that affect them.

Collaboration: to recognise the different roles that public bodies play in tackling long-term challenges, and to ensure actions by public bodies are complimentary therefore maximising their collective impact.

Involvement: understanding the underlying causes of the problems people and communities face can help to find different solutions, intervene early and prevent problems from getting worse or arising in the future.

**3.3** The Cardiff and Vale UHB recently launched their refreshed 'Shaping our Future Wellbeing 2023-2033' strategy that set out their Values, Purpose, Vision and Strategic Objectives.

**3.4** Values: reflect the way we want to work and provide care. Developed by our teams with patients and their families, they are:

- Be - kind and caring, respectful
- Have - trust and integrity, personal responsibility

**3.5** Purpose: Helping people keep well, caring for people to get well.

**3.6** Vision for 2033: Working together we will improve health, reduce health inequity and aspire to deliver excellence so staff, patients and populations have the best outcomes and experience.

## **4. Climate Change and Nature Implications**

**4.1** There are no direct climate change or nature implications for the Council.

## **5. Resources and Legal Considerations**

### **Financial**

**5.1** There are no direct financial implications for the Council.

### **Employment**

**5.2** There are no direct employment implications for the Council.

### **Legal (Including Equalities)**

**5.3** There are no direct legal implications for the Council.

## **6. Background Papers**

None.