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NEW APPOINTMENT TO THE CONSERVATORS

Head of Service: Piero Ionta, Head of Legal

Wards affected: College Ward; Town Ward; Woodcote and

Langley Vale Ward

Appendices (attached): None

Summary

This report confirms the appointment of a new member of the Epsom and Walton Downs Conservators by Jockey Club Racecourses following the retirement of Stephen Wallis and requests the Conservators to note the appointment.

Recommendation (s)

The Conservators are asked:

- (1) That the following appointment to the Membership of the Conservators by the constituent body be noted:
 - Jockey Club Racecourses (the Company): Tom Sammes in place of Stephen Wallis

1 Reason for Recommendation

1.1 The Company are required to appoint a new member to the Conservators as soon as reasonably practicable following Stephen Wallis' retirement from the Jockey Club.

2 Membership of the Conservators

- 2.1 The arrangements for appointment and term of office for members of the Epsom and Walton Downs Conservators is defined within the Epsom and Walton Downs Regulation Act 1984. Section 6 of the Act sets out that the Conservators shall have 10 Members, appointed by the constituent bodies as follows:
 - 2.1.1 6 Members appointed by "the Council" (Epsom and Ewell Borough Council),
 - 2.1.2 3 Members by "the Company" (Jockey Club Racecourses) and

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- 2.1.3 1 Member by "the Levy Board" (Horserace Betting Levy Board).
- 2.2 The Clerk has received confirmation of the following new appointments from the constituent body:
 - 2.2.2 The Company: Tom Sammes in place of Stephen Wallis;

3 Risk Assessment

3.1 A lack of clarity over the membership of the Conservators is likely to lead to significant legal, financial, administrative, and reputational risks to the Conservators. It is therefore important that membership arrangements are confirmed and are in accordance with the Epsom and Walton Downs Regulation Act 1984.

4 Financial Implications

- 4.1 None arising from the contents of this report.
- 4.2 *Chief Finance Officer's comments:* None for the purposes of this report.

5 Legal Implications

- 5.1 The Membership of the Epsom and Walton Downs Conservators as detailed within this report is in accordance with the provisions of the Epsom and Walton Downs Regulation Act 1984.
- 5.2 *Monitoring Officer's comments:* None for the purposes of this report.

6 Policies, Plans & Partnerships

- 6.1 **Council's Key Priorities**: Not relevant to this report.
- 6.2 **Service Plans**: Not relevant to this report.
- 6.3 **Climate & Environmental Impact of recommendations**: None arising from the contents of this report.
- 6.4 **Sustainability Policy & Community Safety Implications**: None arising from the contents of this report.
- 6.5 **Partnerships**: No implications arising from this report.

7 Background papers

7.1 The documents referred to in compiling this report are as follows:

Other papers:

Epsom and Walton Downs Regulation Act 1984