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APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY REPRESENTATIVE TO THE EAST SURREY JOINT COMMITTEE

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Wards affected: (All Wards);

Appendices (attached): None

Summary

This report requests the Council's approval for the appointment of Councillor Clive Woodbridge as the deputy representative for the East Surrey Joint Committee.

Recommendation (s)

The Council is asked to:

- (1) Approve Cllr Clive Woodbridge as the appointed deputy representative for Epsom & Ewell Borough Council on the East Surrey Joint Committee (to include any sub-committee and/or informal working group).**

1 Reason for Recommendation

- 1.1 Full Council appointed Councillor Hannah Dalton as its representative on any relevant LGR Joint Committee at its meeting on 9 December 2025.
- 1.2 Following the appointment of deputy representatives by other members of the East Surrey Council Joint Committee, it is proposed that the Epsom and Ewell Borough Council appoints a deputy representative.

2 Background

- 2.1 The East Surrey Joint Committee (ESJC) is comprised of 10 members, 5 from Surrey County Council and 5 from the East Surrey D&Bs, with one representative from each D&B council. Its first meeting was held on 15 January 2026, with future meetings scheduled for 19 February, 13 March, 15 April and 14 May.

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2.2 At the first meeting, the Terms of Reference and Terms of Procedure for the Joint Committee were adopted; this included the provision for nominated substitutes to attend in place of appointed representatives. Para 6.1 of the adopted Terms of Procedure state:

2.2.1 'Nominated substitutes will be allowed on the WSJC / ESJC and each Council when making an appointment to their seats on the WSJC / ESJC may also appoint the same number of substitute member(s) as appointed member(s)...'

2.3 Full Council appointed Councillor Hannah Dalton as Epsom its representative on any relevant LGR Joint Committee at its meeting on 9 December 2025.

2.4 As this Council has one seat, it is entitled to nominate one substitute. Following the appointment of deputy representatives by other members of the Joint Committee, it is proposed that this Council appoints Councillor Clive Woodbridge as its deputy representative for the East Surrey Committee. The deputy representative would be able to attend meetings of the Joint Committee as a substitute for Council's appointed representative, Councillor Hannah Dalton, in the event that she is unable to attend.

3 Risk Assessment

Legal or other duties

3.1 Equality Impact Assessment

3.1.1 Not applicable.

3.2 Crime & Disorder

3.2.1 Not applicable.

3.3 Safeguarding

3.3.1 Not applicable.

3.4 Dependencies

3.4.1 Not applicable.

3.5 Other

3.5.1 Not applicable.

4 Financial Implications

4.1 **Section 151 Officer's comments:** None arising from the content of this report.

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5 Legal Implications

5.1 **Legal Officer's comments:** None arising from the content of this report.

6 Policies, Plans & Partnerships

6.1 **Council's Key Priorities:** The following Key Priorities are engaged:

- Effective Council

6.2 **Service Plans:** The matter is included within the current Service Delivery Plan.

6.3 **Climate & Environmental Impact of recommendations:** None.

6.4 **Sustainability Policy & Community Safety Implications:** None.

6.5 **Partnerships:** None

6.6 **Local Government Reorganisation Implications:** These were addressed within the body of the report to Council back on 9 December and remain the same.

7 Background papers

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

Previous reports:

- [Devolution and Local Government Reorganisation in Surrey – update, Full Council, 9 December 2025](#)