

**Committee:** Council

**Agenda Item**

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**Title:** Membership of Museum Management Working Group

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Item for decision

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## Summary

1. Uncertainty has arisen regarding the Council's membership of the Museum Management Working Group (MMWG), and clarification from Members is requested.

## Recommendations

2. That the Council decide the Council's membership of the Museum Management Working Group for the remainder of the year to May 2011, in the light of this report.

## Financial Implications

- 3 There are no costs associated with the recommendation.

## Background Papers

- 4 The following papers were referred to by the author in the preparation of this report and are available for inspection from the author of the report.

General Correspondence

## Impact

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Communication/Consultation	This is purely an internal matter although the Museum Society will have to be notified of any changes in membership
Community Safety	Not applicable
Equalities	Not applicable
Health and Safety	Not applicable
Human Rights/Legal Implications	There is a need to comply with the terms of the management agreement.

Sustainability	Not applicable
Ward-specific impacts	All wards
Workforce/Workplace	No implications

### Situation

- 6 At the Annual Council meeting in May, Councillors Abrahams, Chambers, Eden, Morson and Schneider were appointed as the Council’s representatives on the MMWG.
- 7 The Members’ Handbook lists the current membership as Councillors Chamberlain, Eden, Morson and Redfern. However, the membership listed in paragraph 1 must be accepted as correct as the Minutes of the annual Meeting have been accepted as a correct record.
- 8 The current agreement between the Council and the Museum Society dated 18 November 2009 states that the MMWG shall comprise the Chairman of the Council’s Community Committee and three further members of that committee, or its successor.
- 9 The Chairman of the Community and Housing Committee (Councillor Chamberlain) is not a member of the MMWG and two appointed members (Councillors Chambers and Eden) are not members of that Committee as required by the terms of the agreement. In addition there are five appointed members instead of the four set out in the agreement.
- 10 The Council is requested to determine the membership for the remainder of the year until the next annual meeting on 24 May 2011.

### Risk Analysis

Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigating actions
Failure to comply with the terms of the management agreement	3 – unless changes are made to the membership	2 – the Council would be in breach of a legal agreement	Change the Council’s membership to comply with the agreement

- 1 = Little or no risk or impact
- 2 = Some risk or impact – action may be necessary.
- 3 = Significant risk or impact – action required
- 4 = Near certainty of risk occurring, catastrophic effect or failure of project.