Council Report

Ward(s) affected: n/a

Report of Strategic Director Transformation and Governance

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Appointment of director to Guildford Sportsground Management Company Limited

Recommendation to Council:

That the Council approves the appointment of Kelvin Mills (Executive Head of Commercial Services) to the Board of Directors for Guildford Sportsground Management Company Limited.

Reason for Recommendation:

To comply with the Constitutional requirement for full Council to approve appointments of individuals to any office other than an office in which he or she is employed by the authority.

Is this report (or part of it) exempt from publication? No

1. Purpose of report

1.1 This report asks the Council to consider the appointment of Kelvin Mills, Executive Head of Commercial Services, to the Board of Guildford Sportsground Management Company Limited.

2. Background

2.1 Under Part 3 of the Council's Constitution (Responsibility for Functions), various functions are listed as functions which are not to be the responsibility of the Council's Executive; and other functions which may, but need not be, the responsibility of the Executive ("local choice functions"). Appendix II to Part 3 of the Constitution, lists the various local choice functions and specifies whether they are to be discharged by the Leader/Executive or full Council. The following function is reserved to the Council for decision:

"The appointment of any individual:

- (a) to any office other than an office in which he is employed by the authority;
- (b) to any body other than:

- (i) the authority;
- (ii) a joint committee of two or more authorities; or
- (c) to any committee or sub-committee of such a body, and the revocation of any such appointment."

3. Proposed Officer appointment to the Board of Guildford Sportsground Management Company Limited.

3.1 Guildford Sportsground Management Company Limited is a company set up to run Woodbridge Road sportsground. Guildford Borough Council is required to appoint three directors to the Board and for this purpose has already appointed lan Doyle and Jonathan Sewell. It is now proposed that Kelvin Mills, Executive Head of Commercial Services is appointed to the Board.

4. Legal implications

- 4.1 The Articles of Association for Guildford Sportsground Management Company Limited require there to be a minimum of seven directors, three of whom need to be appointed by Guildford Borough Council. There are no other specified criteria to be eligible for appointment.
- 4.2 The Council should ensure that in appointing directors to the Board there is no conflict of interests and that they are satisfied that the proposed director has the requisite skills and experience required for the role.

5. Financial Implications

5.1 There are no significant financial implications arising from this report.

6. Human resource Implications

6.1 There are no significant human resource implications arising from this report.

7. Background Papers

None

8. Appendices

None