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# APPOINTMENT TO OUTSIDE BODIES – EAST TILBURY RELIEF IN NEED CHARITY

Report of: Graham Farrant, Chief Executive

Wards and communities affected: Key Decision:

East Tilbury Non-key

Accountable Head of Service: Fiona Taylor, Head of Legal & Democratic Services

Accountable Director: Graham Farrant, Chief Executive

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**Purpose of Report:** This report requests the Council to appoint a trustee to the East Tilbury Relief in Need Charity, in accordance with the provisions of the governing documents of the Charity.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

In accordance with the Scheme for regulation and administration of the East Tilbury Relief in Need Charity, the Council is required to appoint two "nominative trustees" to the Board of Trustees.

A letter was received on 29 October 2012 from the Trustees of the Charity to advise that the term of office of one of its two "nominative trustees" had come to an end.

Furthermore, the letter advised that the trustees had recommended the reappointment of Mr John Blackbond for a further four years.

### 1. RECOMMENDATIONS:

1.1 That Mr John Blackbond be re-appointed as a trustee of the East Tilbury Relief in Need Charity for a term of four years.

### 2. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND:

- 2.1 The East Tilbury Relief in Need Charity was set up to relieve either generally or individually, persons who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress by making grants of money or providing or paying for items, services or facilities calculated to reduce the need, hardship or distress of such persons.
- 2.2 The Council is required to appoint two "nominative trustees", who through residence, occupation or employment or otherwise have special knowledge of the Ancient Parish of East Tilbury. The appointments are made for a four year term.
- 2.3 Members may recall that, at its Annual Meeting on 23 May 2012, the Council considered its appointments to Outside Bodies, Statutory and Other Panels and, in doing so, re-appointed Mr Robert Folkard as the other "nominative trustee" of the Charity (Minute No.9 refers).

### 3. ISSUES, OPTIONS AND ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS:

- 3.1 The Scheme for regulation and administration of the East Tilbury Relief in Need Charity requires the Council to appoint two "nominative trustees" for a period of four years.
- 3.2 The Charity have informed the Council of the need to appoint a trustee and the Scheme identifies that this need not be a councillor. Furthermore, the Scheme also allows for any competent trustee to be re-appointed.
- 3.3 The East Tilbury Relief in Need Charity have requested the Council to reappoint Mr. John Blackbond as one of its two "nominative trustees". Mr Blackbond has been a trustee for many years and is, in fact, mentioned in the approved Charitable Scheme sealed in 1982.

### 4. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION:

- 4.1 The recommendation accords with the wishes of the East Tilbury Relief in Need Charity, as set out in their letter of 29 October 2012.
- 5. CONSULTATION (including Overview and Scrutiny, if applicable)
- 5.1 None.



# 6. IMPACT ON CORPORATE POLICIES, PRIORITIES, PERFORMANCE AND COMMUNITY IMPACT

6.1 It is important for the Council to nominate to such bodies in order to ensure that it continues to represent the interests of both the Authority and the wider community.

### 7. IMPLICATIONS

# 7.1 Financial

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There are no financial implications arising from this report.

### 7.2 Legal

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The Scheme for regulation and administration of the East Tilbury Relief in Need Charity requires the Council to appoint two "nominative trustees" for a period of four years. Should the Council agree to the appointment of the trustee that is being recommended, this would be in accordance with the Scheme for regulation and administration of the Charity.

# 7.3 **Diversity and Equality**

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The Council is under a statutory duty to ensure that equality and diversity is a key part of the decision making process of the Council. Therefore attention is drawn to the importance of ensuring that appointments to Outside Bodies, Statutory and Other Panels are underpinned by appropriate awareness of statutory requirements relevant to the functions and activities of a local authority, for example, equality and human rights issues.

7.4 Other implications (where significant) – i.e. Section 17, Risk Assessment, Health Impact Assessment, Sustainability, IT, Environmental

None

BACKGROUND PAPERS USED IN PREPARING THIS REPORT (include their location and identify whether any are exempt or protected by copyright):



• Scheme for regulation and administration of the East Tilbury Relief in Need Charity (Copy held in Democratic Services)

# **APPENDICES TO THIS REPORT:**

None

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