



13.3 APPOINTMENT OF COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATIVE TO HOUSING FIRST BOARD

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1. PURPOSE

1.1 To appoint an additional Councillor representative to the HousingFirst Board, following the previous appointments of Councillors to Committees in December 2021.

2. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2.1 At its meeting of 1 December 2021, Council made its appointment of Councillor representatives to delegated, advisory and external committees.

2.2 Council has the option of appointing two directors to the HousingFirst Board. In December 2021, Council appointed Cr Peter Martin to the Board, with the additional representative spot left vacant.

2.3 Cr Marcus Pearl wishes to take up the second representative position, and this report assists Council to ratify that appointment.

2.4 All HousingFirst directors, including Council appointees, are automatically Trustees of the Port Phillip Housing Trust.

3. RECOMMENDATION

3.1 Appoints Cr Marcus Pearl as its representative (in addition to Cr Peter Martin) to the HousingFirst Board effective from the date of this resolution until December 2022.

4. KEY POINTS/ISSUES

4.1 Council participates in various delegated, advisory and external boards and committees. Each requires Council to nominate Councillor representation. Council last made its appointments in December 2021. A copy of the report is available [here](#).

5. CONSULTATION AND STAKEHOLDERS

5.1 Councillors are requested to make use of the standing item on the Council agenda "Reports by Councillor Delegates" to report back to Council on the activities of respective advisory and external bodies.

6. LEGAL AND RISK IMPLICATIONS

6.1 Council is required by section 43 of the LGA 2020 to keep Councillors indemnified whilst they are undertaking the duties of a Councillor. The legislation states:

"A Council must indemnify and keep indemnified each Councillor, member of a Council committee, member of Community Asset Committee against all actions or claims whether arising during or after their term of office in respect of anything necessarily done or reasonably done or omitted to be done in good faith –



- (a) in the performance of a duty or a function or the exercise of a power under this Act, the regulations or a local law or any other Act; or
- (b) in the reasonable belief that the act or omission was in the performance of a duty or a function or the exercise of a power under this Act, the regulations or a local law or any other Act.

6.2 This indemnity covers Councillors whilst acting in good faith and representing Council on these bodies.

7. FINANCIAL IMPACT

7.1 There are no financial impacts arising as a result of this report.

8. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

8.1 There are no environmental impacts arising as a result of this report.

9. COMMUNITY IMPACT

9.1 The appointment of Councillor representatives provides for civic engagement by Council with the community and facilitates community views, knowledge and advice being provided to Council and its officers to assist decision making.

10. ALIGNMENT TO COUNCIL PLAN AND COUNCIL POLICY

10.1 The appointment of Councillors to committees is consistent with Council's strategic direction and commitment to the community of a financially sustainable, high performing, well governed organisation that puts the community first.

11. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

11.1 TIMELINE

11.1.1 The appointment will take effect from the date of this resolution.

11.2 COMMUNICATION

11.2.1 Once the appointment is determined, relevant Council staff will advise the HousingFirst Board of the appointment; and ensure that Councillors' calendars are updated with the appropriate meeting dates. Arrangements will be made to ensure induction occurs relative to the requirements of the appointment.

12. OFFICER DIRECT OR INDIRECT INTEREST

12.1 No officers involved in the preparation of this report have any material or general interest in the matter.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil