

## ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

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<b>COMMITTEE</b>	Council
<b>DATE</b>	11 October 2023
<b>EXEMPT</b>	No
<b>CONFIDENTIAL</b>	No
<b>REPORT TITLE</b>	Appointment of an External Adviser to Anti-Poverty and Inequality Committee
<b>REPORT NUMBER</b>	CUS/23/311
<b>DIRECTOR</b>	Andy MacDonald
<b>CHIEF OFFICER</b>	Jacqui McKenzie
<b>REPORT AUTHOR</b>	Paul Tytler
<b>TERMS OF REFERENCE</b>	7

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### 1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report requests Council to approve the appointment of a new external adviser to the Anti-Poverty and Inequality Committee.

### 2. RECOMMENDATION

That Council:-

- 2.1 Approves the appointment of a new external adviser, as named in this report, to the Anti-Poverty and Inequality Committee.

### 3. CURRENT SITUATION

- 3.1 The Aberdeen City Council Committee Terms of Reference for the Anti-Poverty and Inequality Committee provide as follows:

*External advisers:*

*Emphasising the close links with Community Planning Aberdeen's Anti-Poverty Group, the Committee will appoint advisers who are not members of the Council. These external advisers will be appointed by the Council at its statutory meeting (or other meeting as appropriate) as follows:*

- 1 resident of Aberdeen with lived experience of poverty;*
- Up to 2 people representing the charitable sector in Aberdeen;*
- 1 person representing higher and further education in Aberdeen;*
- 1 person representing key interest groups in Aberdeen (that may be appointed for a defined period of time); and*
- 1 public health professional/practitioner who works in Aberdeen.*

3.2 A nomination was received from Councillor Tissera for an appointment to the vacant external adviser role in respect of a person representing key interest groups in Aberdeen. This external adviser role has been vacant since the appointment of advisers in November 2022. The nominee, Mr Edward Obi, is Chair of [Igbo Community Aberdeen](#), a group which represents part of the Nigerian community in Aberdeen. Mr Obi has the support of his organisation for his prospective appointment to the role of external adviser.

3.3 Council is asked to approve Mr.Obi’s appointment to the role of external adviser to the Anti-Poverty and Inequality Committee in line with that Committee’s Terms of Reference.

**4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

**5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 There are no direct legal implications arising from the recommendation of this report.

**6. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 There are no environmental implications arising from this report.

**7. RISK**

Category	Risks	Primary Controls/Control Actions to achieve Target Risk Level	*Target Risk Level (L, M or H)  *taking into account controls/control actions	*Does Target Risk Level Match Appetite Set?
<b>Strategic Risk</b>	No significant risk identified		L	Yes
<b>Compliance</b>	Risk of not complying with committee terms of reference	Appointment of external adviser will mitigate this risk	L	Yes
<b>Operational</b>	No significant risk identified		L	Yes
<b>Financial</b>	No significant		L	Yes

	risk identified			
<b>Reputational</b>	No significant risk identified		L	Yes
<b>Environment / Climate</b>	No significant risk identified		L	Yes

## 8. OUTCOMES

<u><a href="#">COUNCIL DELIVERY PLAN 2023-2024</a></u>	
	<b>Impact of Report</b>
<b>Aberdeen City Council Policy Statement</b>  <u><a href="#">Working in Partnership for Aberdeen</a></u>	The appointment of the external adviser will contribute to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Transparent, Accessible and Accountable Council - Aberdeen City Council works for the people of Aberdeen, and it is important that people can access, understand, and take part in the Council's democratic processes.</li> </ul>
<u><a href="#">Aberdeen City Local Outcome Improvement Plan 2016-26</a></u>	
Prosperous Economy Stretch Outcomes	The appointment of the external adviser will support the work of the Anti-Poverty and Inequality Committee in contributing to stretch outcome 1 - No one will suffer due to poverty by 2026
Prosperous People Stretch Outcomes	N/A
Prosperous Place Stretch Outcomes	N/A
<b>Regional and City Strategies</b>	N/A

## 9. IMPACT ASSESSMENTS

Assessment	Outcome
<b>Integrated Impact Assessment</b>	It is confirmed by Chief Officer Jacqui McKenzie that no Integrated Impact Assessment is required
<b>Data Protection Impact Assessment</b>	Not required

<b>Other</b>	N/A
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## **10. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

10.1 N/A

## **11. APPENDICES**

11.1 N/A

## **12. REPORT AUTHOR CONTACT DETAILS**

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