

Title of Report:	Independent Member Vacancy and Appointment Process
Committee Report Submitted To:	Audit Committee
Date of Meeting:	11 March 2020
For Decision or For Information	For Decision

Linkage to Council Strategy (2019-23)	
Strategic Theme	Innovation and Transformation
Outcome	Improve Service Delivery
Lead Officer	Director of Corporate Services/Head of ODHR

Budgetary Considerations	
Cost of Proposal	£1,000
Included in Current Year Estimates	YES/NO
Capital/Revenue	
Code	
Staffing Costs	

Screening Requirements	Required for new or revised Policies, Plans, Strategies or Service Delivery Proposals. N/A		
Section 75 Screening	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
	EQIA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
Rural Needs Assessment (RNA)	Screening Completed	Yes/No	Date:
	RNA Required and Completed:	Yes/No	Date:
Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)	Screening Completed:	Yes/No	Date:

1.1 Background

Council agreed to the Appointment of an Independent Member in December 2015.

The Chief Executive has now received notification of the resignation of the current Audit Committee Independent Member, with immediate effect.

In order to fill the vacancy which now exists, an advertisement will be placed within the Belfast Telegraph and Coleraine Chronicle at the earliest convenience. A shortlisting and interview process will commence thereafter.

1.2 Recommendation

It is recommended that the Audit Committee note the resignation of the Independent Member.

It is recommended that the Audit Committee Chair sits on the Interview Panel, as part of the recruitment and selection process for the appointment of the Independent Member