

**QUESTIONS ON THE DISCHARGE OF FUNCTIONS**  
**WDA/17/25**

**Recommendation**

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### **Report of the Chief Executive**

#### **1. Purpose of the Report**

- 1.1 To seek nominations from the Authority as to which Members shall be responsible for answering questions on behalf of the Authority at their respective constituent council proceedings, in accordance with Section 41 of the Local Government Act 1985.

#### **2. Background**

- 2.1 Section 41 of the Local Government Act 1985 requires that arrangements shall be made for enabling questions on the discharge of functions by a Joint Authority to be put by a Member of a constituent council, for answer by another Member of the constituent council, who is also a Member of the Joint Authority and has been nominated by the Authority for that purpose.
- 2.2 In other words, the Authority must nominate one of its Members from each of the five constituent councils as the person who will answer questions put in the course of council proceedings by another council member, about the discharge of the Waste Disposal Authority's functions.

#### **3. Nominations**

- 3.1 The Authority nominates Members at its Annual Meeting each year and the Members nominated in the previous Municipal Year were:

Knowsley MBC	Councillor Bell
Liverpool CC	Councillor Norris
St Helens MBC	Councillor Dickinson
Sefton MBC	Councillor Page
Wirral MBC	Councillor Williams

3.2 Members are therefore asked to nominate Members for the forward year.

**4. Risk Implications**

4.1 There are no significant risk implications associated with this report.

**5. HR Implications**

5.1 There are no HR Implications associated with this report.

**6. Legal Implications**

6.1 Failure to nominate Members from each respective District Council will contravene Section 41 of the Local Government Act 1985.

**7. Environmental Implications**

7.1 There are no environmental implications associated with this report.

**8. Financial Implications**

8.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report.

**9. Conclusion**

9.1 The Authority is asked to indicate its five nominations for the forthcoming year in accordance with Section 41 of the Local Government Act 1985.

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The background documents to this report are open to inspection in accordance with Section 100D of The Local Government Act 1972 - Nil.