

NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYME BOROUGH COUNCIL
EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT TEAM'S REPORT TO THE
MEMBER DEVELOPMENT PANEL

1 October, 2015

EUROPEAN LOCAL DEMOCRACY WEEK (ELDW)

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Portfolio: Finance, IT and Customer

Ward(s) affected: Non-specific

Purpose of the Report

To advise Members of the programme of events planned for European Local Democracy Week taking place during the week commencing 12 October, 2015.

Recommendations

- (a) That Members discuss and comment on the ELDW Programme.
- (b) That Members approve the Programme.

Reasons

To ensure that local students gain a knowledge of Local Democracy.

1. **Background**

- 1.1 Each year, local schools and colleges are invited to take part in the ELDW. They are welcomed into a local authority and are encouraged to take part in activities relating to the decision making process. Various schools, including St John Fisher, The Kings School, Madeley High School and Newcastle College have been contacted to participate. Attached at Appendix 1 is the proposed programme of events.

2. **Issues**

- 2.1 The proposed programme will have a mock Induction, a Question Time and various mock Committees. In addition, students have been invited to be Leader/Cabinet Members for a day and also Mayor for a day,

3. **Legal and Statutory Implications**

- 3.1 There are no legal implications directly associated with this report.

4. **Equality Impact Assessment**

- 4.1 There are no equalities implications directly associated with this report.

5. **Financial and Resource Implications**

5.1 There are no financial or resource implications.

7. **Major Risks**

7.1 There are no major risks associated with this report.

8. **Key Decision Information**

8.1 The proposals within this report are not regarded as Key Decisions in the sense that it should be included within the Forward Plan. However, as this is not regarded as a non-Executive function, a Cabinet (executive) decision is required to give effect to the proposals.

9. **Appendices**

Appendix 1 – Programme of events

10. **Earlier Cabinet/Committee Resolutions**

2 July, 2015