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Agenda Status: Public

Directorate: Chief Executive

Report Title	Appointments to Charities of Coles & Rice, Henry and Elizabeth Ekins and Northampton Municipal General Charities
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1. Summary

To confirm the reappointment of Mr Peter Newham to the Coles & Rice Charity and Mrs Margaret Greenwell to the charity of Henry & Elizabeth Ekins and to make six appointments of Representative Trustee to the Northampton Municipal General Charities.

2. Recommendations

- 1 That Mr Peter Newham be reappointed to the Coles & Rice Charity for a period of four years.
- 2 That Mrs Margaret Greenwell be reappointed to the Charity of Henry & Elizabeth Ekins for a period of three years.
- 3 That Mary Clarke, Cllr Andrew Simpson, Rev David Wiseman, Ruth Williams, Cllr Anthony Woods and one other be appointed to Northampton Municipal General Charities as Representative Trustees for a period of four years.

3. Report Background

3.1 Coles & Rice Charity

This charity pays a pension of £50 per quarter to persons “in need” in Northampton who are over 55 years of age and who have lived in Northampton for at least five years before reaching the pension age. The Council appoints three trustees who are currently Mrs Eley Bridle, Mrs L Percival and Mr P Newham.

Mr Newham’s term of office ended on 1 March 2009. Mr Newham, a former Borough Solicitor of the Council, is willing to be reappointed as a trustee for a further period of four years.

3.2 Charity of Henry & Elizabeth Ekins

The charity promotes the education of young persons up to the age of 25 within the Doctrines of the Church of England who reside within the parishes of St Peter, Weston Favell; St Peter and St Paul, Abington and Emmanuel, Northampton and Doddington. The charity gives financial assistance towards outfits, clothing, tools, instruments or books to help beneficiaries leaving education to enter a profession, trade or calling; apprenticeships; bursaries for travel to pursue education; and financial assistance to study music or other arts.

The Council appoints one Nominative Trustee who must reside in or represent an electoral division or ward within one of the parishes covered by the charity. Currently, the Council's appointee is Mrs Margaret Greenwell of Weston Favell who is Chairman of Trustees and whose term of appointment has now expired. Mrs Greenwell, the wife of a former Chief Executive of the County Council, is willing to be reappointed for a further period of three years.

3.3 Northampton Municipal General Charities

This overarching title covers three charities; St Thomas White's Loan Charity (interest free loans up to £2,500 and education grants up to £750 to young people); Henry Lineham Fund (pensions to women fulfilling particular criteria of £412 per annum); and the Charity of Charles Edmund Thorpe (which aids deserving inhabitants as may be in need of assistance). The Trustees administer all three charities.

The Council appoints ten Representative Trustees who do not have to be Councillors. The five currently in place are Jean Bulteel, Councillor Jenny Conroy, Hilary Blackman, Michael O'Leary and Councillor Matthew Golby.

4. **Implications (including financial implications)**

4.1 Resources and Risk

None.

4.2 Legal

None.

4.3 Other Implications

None.

5. **Background Papers**

None.

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