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## **HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

**Title/Subject Matter:** Election of Executive Leader of the Council

**Meeting/Date:** Council – 4th December 2019

**Executive Portfolio:** Executive Leader

**Report by:** Managing Director

**Ward(s) affected:** All

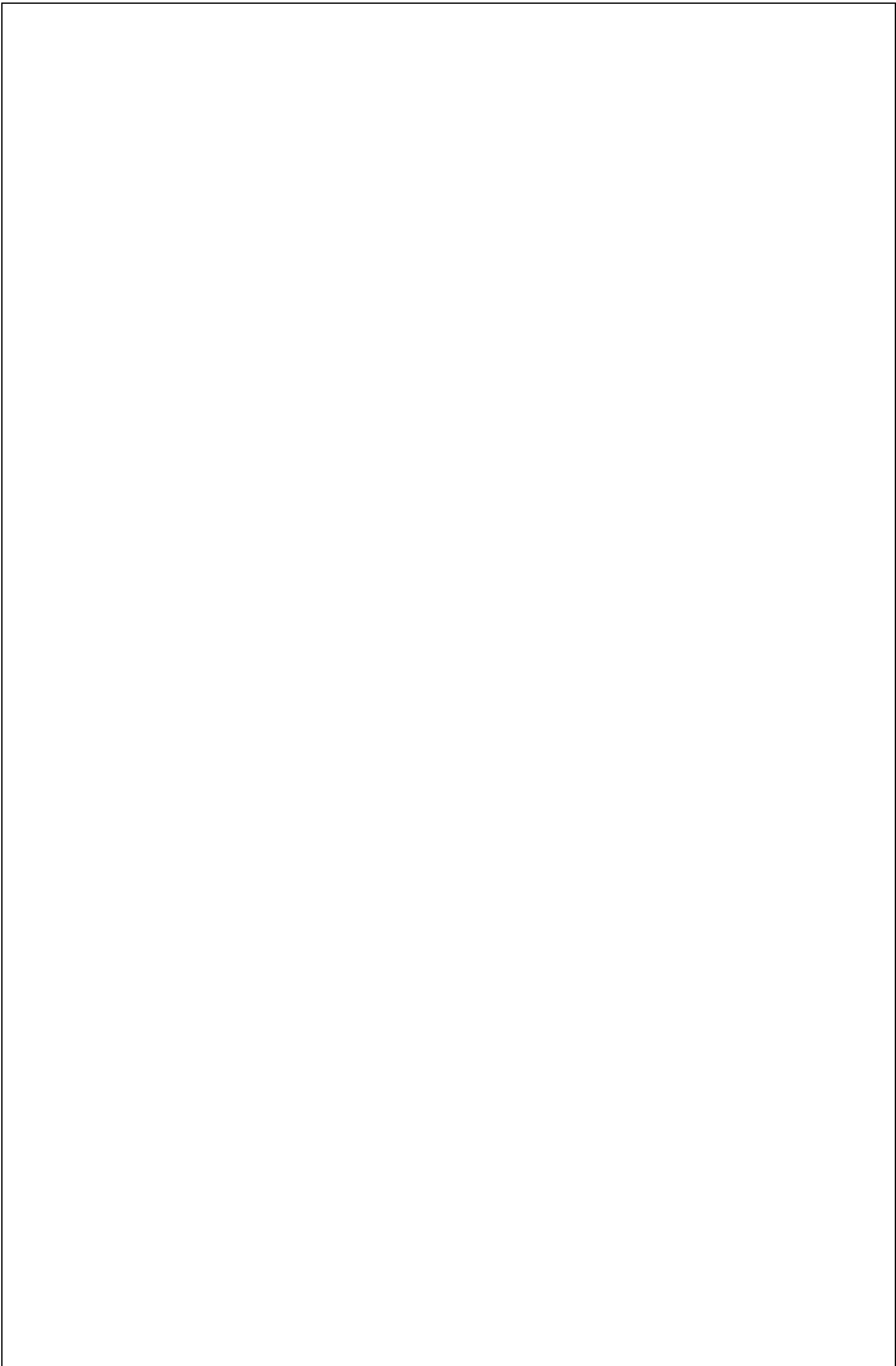
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### **Executive Summary:**

The purpose of this report is to consider the election of a new Executive Leader of the Council for the remainder of that Member's term of office (until May 2022) following the resignation of Councillor G J Bull as the current Executive Leader of the Council.

### **Recommendation:**

**that a Councillor be appointed Executive Leader of the Council for the remainder of that Member's term of office (until May 2022).**



## **1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to elect a new Executive Leader of the Council for the remainder of that Member's term of office (until May 2022) in accordance with the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 and the Council's Constitution.

## **2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 Owing to his wish to focus on personal priorities closer to home, a decision has been taken by Councillor G J Bull to resign from his position as Executive Leader.

## **3. WHAT ACTIONS WILL BE TAKEN**

- 3.1 It is convention for the Executive Leader of the Council to be selected from the largest political group.

## **4. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 Under normal circumstances an Executive Leader is elected to serve for a four year term, or until that Member's term of office comes to an end as a Councillor, or they resign from the office as a Councillor, or if removed from office as a Councillor by the Council. The Council moved to whole Council elections in May 2018. District Council elections will next be held in May 2022 and the new Executive Leader will be appointed until this date.
- 4.2 Despite the fact that a Deputy Leader is appointed to support this role in their absence, there remains a requirement to elect an Executive leader following a vacancy in this position on the Council.

## **5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 None.

## **6. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDED DECISIONS**

- 6.1 As a result of the resignation of Councillor Bull from his position as Executive Leader it is necessary for the Council to elect a new Executive Leader until May 2022.

## **7. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007.

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