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1. Summary
To seek Council’s approval to the appointment of Mr Richard Pestell as Trustee to the Northampton Municipal Church Charity.

2. Recommendations
That Mr Richard Pestell be appointed as Trustee to Northampton Municipal Church Charity.

3. Report Background
Council will recall that at its meeting on 24 October 2011 it approved the appointment of Councillor Wire DL to St Thomas House which is administered under the umbrella of Northampton Municipal Church Charity.

Wilson Browne Solicitors, who is the clerk to the Northampton Municipal Church Charity has now notified the Council that a vacancy exists on the umbrella charity itself. The Northampton Municipal Church Charity provides “for the relief in need either generally or of individual persons resident in Northampton who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress by making grants of money or providing or paying for items, services or facilities calculated to reduce the need or hardship of such persons”.

Wilson Browne has put forward Mr Richard Pestell to fill the vacancy. Mr Pestell is a former Diocesan Secretary to the Peterborough Diocese and before that worked in Education including two years as Deputy Director of Education in Northamptonshire. He has numerous community roles including being Chair of the Northamptonshire Early Years Development and Childcare Partnership and is currently a trustee of the Becketts and Sargeants Educational Foundation, the Bluecoat Trust and the Ekins Trust (three educational charities in Northampton).
Appointees do not have to be Councillors and appointments usually run for four years.

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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