

Meeting of the Full Council
Meeting to be held on Thursday, 25 May 2017

Report submitted by: Head of Legal and Democratic Services

Part A

Electoral Division affected:
(All Divisions);

Appointments to the North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority

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Executive Summary

Appointments to the North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority.

Recommendation

Full Council is recommended to:

- (i) Approve the appointment of two County Councillors to serve on the North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority until the next County Council elections in May 2021;
- (ii) Authorise the Director of Governance, Finance and Public Services, in consultation with the Leader of the County Council, to approve any changes to the appointments at (i) above which may become necessary before May 2021.

Background and Advice

On 23 May 2013, Full Council appointed County Councillor Lorraine Beavers and now former County Councillor Ken Brown to represent the County Council on the North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority until the next County Council elections in May 2017. The Authority had replaced the former North Western and North Wales Sea Fisheries Committee in October 2010.

Following the County Council elections on 4 May 2017, Full Council is now asked to appoint two County Councillors to serve on the Authority until the next County Council elections in May 2021. It is proposed that the Director of Governance, Finance and Public Services, in consultation with the Leader of the County Council,

be authorised to approve any changes to the appointments which may become necessary before May 2021.

Consultations

N/A

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Risk management

In the light of the substantial financial contribution that the County Council is required to make to the North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority, it is important that the County Council is represented on the Committee and Sub-Committees of the Authority. Lancashire County Council is the second largest constituent local authority after Cumbria County Council.

Financial

The determination of funding of each inshore Fisheries and Conservation area has been agreed nationally and the County Council has a statutory duty to contribute. The County Council's levy to the Authority for 2017/18 was £417,551. The Authority's committee, of which the appointed County Councillors will be members, agrees any proposed increase to levies paid by member authorities including the County Council.

Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 **List of Background Papers**

Paper	Date	Contact/Tel
The North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Order 2010	1 October 2010	
Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009	12 November 2009	
Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate		
N/A		