

Commons and Town Greens Sub Committee

Meeting to be held on 23rd September 2014

Electoral Division affected: All

Constitution, Membership, Terms of Reference and Programme of Meetings.

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Executive Summary

This report sets out the constitution, membership, and Terms of Reference of the Commons and Town Greens Sub Committee together with the programme of meetings for 2014/15.

Recommendation

The Sub Committee is asked to note:

1. The constitution of the Sub Committee as agreed by the full County Council on the 15th May 2014.
2. The current membership and Terms of Reference of the Sub Committee.
3. The 2014/15 programme of meetings for the Sub Committee.

Background and Advice

At the annual meeting on the 15th May 2014 the full County Council agreed the constitution of the Commons and Town Greens Sub Committee as being 11 members on the basis of 5 Labour, 5 Conservative and 1 Liberal Democrat and the County Secretary and Solicitor subsequently received the following nominations from each of the respective political groups in relation to the membership of the Sub Committee.

County Councillors (11)

M Barron	P Rigby
I Brown	R Shewan
D Clifford	Miss K Snape
N Hennessy	C Wakeford
J Oakes	D Whipp
B Yates	

Under the current Terms of Reference the Sub Committee shall carry out the following functions:

1. To exercise the Council's powers under the Commons Registration (New Land) Regulations 1969 to register common land or town or village greens (except where the power is to be exercised solely for the purpose of giving effect to an exchange of land by an order under Section 19(3) or Schedule 3 of the Acquisition of Land Act 1981, or an order under Section 147 of the Inclosure Act 1845).
2. To make recommendations to the Cabinet Member with responsibility for the Environment on matters under the Commons Registration Act 1965 as amended and Regulations thereunder where responsibility lies with the Cabinet.
3. To amend the register in respect of rights of common under Regulation 29 of the Commons Registration (General) Regulations 1966, namely to apportion, vary, extinguish, release or transfer a right of common.
4. To exercise the duties powers and functions of the County Council as Registration Authority under Part 1 Commons Act 2006

The following programme of meetings for the Sub Committee was approved by the full Council at the meeting in December, 2013, with all meetings to be held at County Hall, unless otherwise specified, and to commence at 10.00am.

30th July 2014 (subsequently cancelled)
23rd September 2014
11th November 2014
2nd March 2015
21st April 2015

Consultations

N/A

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

Risk management

There are no risk management implications arising from this item

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

Paper	Date	Contact/Directorate/Tel
Full Council agenda and Proceedings	December 2013 15 th May 2014	Janet Mulligan, Office of the Chief Executive, 01772 533361
County Council Constitution	May 2014	

Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate
N/A