

Cabinet - 9 July 2015

Report of the Chief Executive

Electoral Divisions affected:

N/A

Appointments to Outside Bodies 2015/16

(Appendices 'A', 'B' and 'C' refer)

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Executive Summary

The Cabinet approves the appointment of County Council representatives to various outside bodies on an annual basis.

Under the Constitution, Cabinet Members may fill casual vacancies on outside organisations, and make in-year appointments to new outside organisations whose functions relate to their areas of responsibility, pending annual appointments to all such outside organisations by the Cabinet.

Attached at Appendix 'A' is a comprehensive schedule of the various outside bodies to which the County Council appoints representatives, with representatives identified, following consultation with the Leader of the County Council. A list of proposed deletions recommended in light of information received during the course of the previous year, and reason for deletion is attached at Appendix 'B'. Appendix 'C' sets out a list of those organisations who have not responded.

Recommendation

Cabinet is asked to:

- (i) Consider and approve the representation and appointments listed in Appendix 'A' for outside bodies for 2015/16 and request Group Secretaries to co-ordinate the nomination of members to fill any remaining vacancies and any in-year changes; and in consultation with Democratic Services and the Leader of the County Council, notify the Chief Executive of the appointments,
- (ii) Approve the deletion of the bodies listed in Appendix 'B', in light of the information received regarding their existence, and
- (iii) Note the position in respect of those bodies listed at Appendix 'C'.

Background and Advice

Appointments to outside bodies play an important part in fulfilling the County Council's statutory responsibilities, meeting its corporate objectives and in building positive relationships with the communities it serves. The list of outside bodies that County Council representatives are appointed to is monitored and reviewed on an ongoing basis by Democratic Services. Every organisation is contacted by email on an annual basis. A number of organisations have not responded and despite officers' best efforts a response has not been forthcoming. Those organisations who have not responded have been retained on the list of Outside Bodies (listed in Appendix 'A', but are set out at Appendix 'C' for information.

The list is presented to Cabinet for approval on an annual basis. In accordance with the Constitution Cabinet Members may fill casual vacancies in outside organisations, and make in-year appointments to new outside organisations whose functions relate to their areas of responsibility, pending annual appointments to all such outside organisations by the Cabinet.

It is recommended that Cabinet considers and approves the appointments listed in Appendix 'A' for 2015/16. The suggested representation and appointments have been prepared in consultation with the Leader of the County Council.

Consultations

N/A.

Implications:

This item has the following implications, as indicated:

N/A

List of Background Papers

Paper	Date	Contact/Directorate/Tel
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N/A.

Reason for inclusion in Part II, if appropriate

N/A.