**LEP – Sub Committee**

**LEP - Lancashire Innovation Board**

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**Update on Board Membership**

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| **Executive Summary** Following the resignation of Board members Lorna Green and Pete Lee this report sets out the course of action to identify suitable replacements. **Recommendations**  1. That the Board thank Lorna Green and Pete Lee for the contributions to the work of the Innovation Board since its creation. 2. That the Board agree Mike Kenny, from the AHSN Innovation Agency, replace Lorna Green as the Board member representing the health thematic seat and recommend the appointment to the LEP Board for formal approval. 3. That the Chairman work with officers to identify a suitable nomination from Victrex to replace Pete Lee as the manufacturing thematic seat and present details to the Board for consideration and, if suitable, recommendation to the Board for approval. |

**Background and Advice**

The Chairman has received notification that two Board members have moved into new career roles that have required them to resign their positions on the Board. The two members are Lorna Green, who was the health representative from the AHSN Innovation Agency, and Pete Lee who represented the chemicals manufacturer, Victrex.

In the past when members have left the Board, they have made nominations from their representative body or organisation so that the balance of themes and a level of continuity in understanding and delivery of the role and activities of the Board can be maintained. This has been subject to the vetting of any nominee's CV by officers in collaboration with the Chairman and notification to members for relevant input.

To date one nomination has been received from the AHSN Innovation Agency in relation to the health thematic seat on the Board in the person of Mike Kenny. Officers have been in touch with Mr Kenny who has accepted his provisional nomination subject to formal approval. A nominated member can attend a meeting as an observer until such time they have been formally approved.

The biography below sets out Mike Kenny's employment within the AHSN Innovation Agency. Mike has an MSc in Biological sciences from Lancaster University and lives in Lancashire. Prior to working at the AHSN Mike worked as an Account manager with a market access role to the NHS for Boehringer, an innovative pharmaceuticals company.

[**Innovation Agency - North West Coast**](https://www.linkedin.com/company/north-west-coast-academic-health-science-network/)

Mike Kenny MSc

**Commercial Director**

**Full-time**

**Dates Employed Oct 2016 – Present**

**Employment Duration 4 years 11 months**

**Location Daresbury, Nr Warrington**

Working closely with NHS partners to transform health & care services - leveraging the capacity & capability gain that innovative products, services & enabling digital technologies bring to the NHS, Health & Care system. Supporting UK PLC by giving health & life sciences sector SMEs a greater opportunity to access health & social care markets - because they have innovations that can make care safer, better, faster, & more cost effective. Generating improvements in population health through job creation & inward investment.

**Head of Programmes - Commercial**

**Dates Employed Mar 2016 – Oct 2016**

**Employment Duration 8 months**

**Location Daresbury nr Warrington & NW Coast of England**

By focusing on objectives where the adoption of healthcare innovations can have the most impact, we will enable the adoption of integrated care systems, develop a network of innovation centres, drive adoption of digital innovation and drive economic growth across the region and UK

No nomination has been received as yet in relation to a replacement for Pete Lee, though this is being actioned by the company. In the circumstances it is suggested that the Board note the situation and that a suitable nomination will be brought to a subsequent meeting of the Board.

**List of Background Papers**

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