

# CABINET

## Appointments to Outside Bodies – Lancashire Tourism Forum 6 September 2011

### Report of Head of Governance

PURPOSE OF REPORT					
To inform Cabinet of the establishment of the Lancashire Tourism Forum and to make an appointment on the basis that full Council will determine that the appointment be made by virtue of position on Cabinet.					
Key Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>	Non-Key Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>	Officer Referral	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Date Included in Forward Plan	N/A				
This report is public					

### RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) That Cabinet considers an appropriate appointment to the Lancashire Tourism Forum, on the basis that full Council at its meeting on 14 September 2011 will determine that the appointment be made by virtue of position on Cabinet.

#### 1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 A letter has recently been received from the County Council indicating that at a recent meeting of Councillors from Local Authorities across Lancashire it was agreed that a Lancashire Tourism Forum be established to consider Local Authority tourism related issues. The Forum would comprise one Councillor from each of the County Council, the District Councils and the two Unitary Authorities across Lancashire.
- 1.2 A request has been received for the Council to nominate a councillor to attend the Forum. Whilst nominations are a matter for the Councils concerned, given the remit of the group, County Councillor Lawrenson, the County Council's lead member for Tourism on behalf of the Cabinet, has asked that, where possible, those nominated should have a similar influential role with their respective Councils.
- 1.3 In view of this, it would seem appropriate for the appointment to be made by

virtue of position, with the Cabinet Member with responsibility for Culture and Tourism well suited to represent the City Council on this outside body.

## **2.0 Proposal Details**

- 2.1 It is for Council to determine whether appointments to outside bodies are made by virtue of a Councillor's position (such as Cabinet Member or Ward Member) or nominations invited from any Councillor without restriction, voted upon by full Council. (Council Minute 67 (2008/2009) refers). This will be considered by Council at its meeting on 14 September 2011.
- 2.2 If Council decides that the appointment should be made by virtue of position as a Cabinet member, the nomination would normally be referred back to Cabinet. However, given that the first meeting of the Lancashire Tourism Forum has been arranged for Friday 16 September 2011, to ensure that the City Council is represented at the first meeting, this report has been brought to this meeting to give Cabinet the opportunity of considering the appropriate representative in advance of the Council decision

### **RELATIONSHIP TO POLICY FRAMEWORK**

The 2009-12 Corporate Plan identifies 'Leading our Communities' as one of the City Council's core values. Representation on outside bodies forms part of this Community Leadership role.

### **CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

**(including Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, Sustainability and Rural Proofing)**

Lack of appropriate representation on outside bodies and partnerships has the potential to affect the Council's ability to perform its community leadership role.

### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no legal implications arising directly from this report.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Members of Outside Bodies are entitled to travel expenses. Costs resulting from these appointments are met from democratic representation budgets.

### **OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

#### **Human Resources:**

Not applicable

#### **Information Services:**

Not applicable

#### **Property:**

Not applicable

**Open Spaces:**

Not applicable

**SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS**

The s151 officer has been consulted and has no further comments

**MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS**

The Monitoring Officer has been consulted and has no further comments

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