

**Appointments to Outside Bodies, Partnerships and Boards
13 May 2024
Report of the Senior Manager, Democratic Support and
Elections**

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To allow Council to consider its appointments to outside bodies, partnerships and boards, as set out in the report.

This report is public

RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) That Council re-confirms appointments to outside bodies as set out in Appendix 1b, or makes appointments and amendments as required.
- (2) That nominations be sought for the vacancy on:

The LGA Coastal Issues Special Interest Group
- (3) That the basis of appointment to the Lancashire Police and Crime Panel be agreed as by virtue of position, being the appropriate Cabinet member; and that the appointment be referred to Cabinet, to appoint the relevant portfolio holder for 2024-25.
- (4) That Council notes the body in paragraph 4.0 which no longer meets and has informed the Council that a representative is no longer required.
- (5) That Council confirms that all appointments made or re-confirmed at this meeting will extend until the next City Council Elections in 2027.

1.0 Introduction

1.1 Following the elections in May 2023, Council agreed new appointments to all outside bodies and partnerships. It is usual for those appointments to remain in place for the four-year term, with a full review due following the next scheduled elections in May 2027, however Council is given the opportunity to review them at each annual meeting.

2.0 Proposal

2.1 **Appendix 1a** shows a list of appointments which are made on by other bodies or by virtue of role. Attached at **Appendix 1b** is a list of all organisations to which Council has made an appointment. The names of the Councillors appointed are included on the list.

- 2.2 As noted above, appointments made following an election usually cover the four-year term until the next election. The next elections are scheduled for May 2027 and Council is asked to approve that all appointments made or re-confirmed at this meeting will extend until the next City Council Elections in 2027.

3.0 Vacancies

- 3.1 Councillor Bannon has stepped down from the **LGA Coastal Issues Special Interest Group** due to work commitments, creating a vacancy. Council is asked to consider the basis of appointment to this group and, if this is determined as by nomination and voting at Council, that the appointment is made at this meeting.

4.0 Appointments Which Have Ceased

- 4.1 The following body has been removed from the list of appointments, having informed us that a City Council representative is no longer required because it no longer meets:

Lancashire Enterprise Partnership Joint Scrutiny Committee

5.0 Citizens Advice North Lancashire - clarification

- 5.1 We have been informed that the three Councillors currently serving on the Board of Citizens Advice North Lancashire are Councillors Whitaker, Hanna and Stubbins and that appointments are for a period of six years. This does not fit with the electoral four-year cycle of the City Council. Democratic Support were not aware of this and the report in 2023 asked for three nominees when only one was required.
- 5.2 Please also note that this body is a charity and Board members are trustees, so whilst Council puts forward nominations they are not automatically appointed; there is an application process to go through before anyone can become a trustee.

6.0 Lancashire Police and Crime Panel

- 6.1 The Police and Crime Panel is administered by Blackburn-with-Darwen Council and that Council ensures that, as far as possible, the Panel reflects the political balance of Lancashire each year following local elections.
- 6.2 Lancaster City Council should appoint one Member at this stage. In the past this has always been the appropriate Cabinet Member. Therefore it is suggested that the basis of this appointment be agreed by Council as being by virtue of position; that position being the appropriate Cabinet Member. The matter may then be referred to Cabinet to appoint to, along with the other Cabinet appointments listed in **Appendix 1b**.
- 6.3 The City Council might be invited to make a further appointment. Blackburn-with-Darwen will advise in due course if this is the case.

7.0 Monitoring of Attendance

- 7.1 At its meeting on 17 December 2014, Council considered a method of monitoring Members' attendance at the outside bodies they have been appointed to. Council resolved:

- (1) *That Councillors appointed to outside bodies inform Democratic Services of the meetings they have attended throughout the year.*
- (2) *That officers include details of attendance in each report to Annual Council to inform Members when appointments to outside bodies are reconfirmed.*

7.2 The information supplied by Councillors who responded to Democratic Support is included in **Appendix 2**

8.0 Conclusion

8.1 Council is asked to consider its appointments to outside bodies, partnerships and boards as set out in this report.

<p>CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT (including Health and Safety, Equality and Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, Sustainability and Rural Proofing)</p>
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<p>There are no direct implications as a result of this report.</p>

<p>FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS</p>

<p>Members of outside bodies are entitled to travel expenses, which are currently being funded from within existing budgets.</p>
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<p>LEGAL IMPLICATIONS</p>

<p>There are no legal implications as a direct result of this report.</p>

<p>SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS</p>
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<p>The Section 151 Officer has been consulted and has no comments.</p>
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<p>MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS</p>

<p>The Monitoring Officer has been consulted and has no comments.</p>

<p>BACKGROUND PAPERS</p>	<p>Contact Officer: Debbie Chambers Telephone: 01524 582057 E-mail: dchambers@lancaster.gov.uk</p>
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<p>Representations on Outside Bodies file.</p>
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**SCHEDULE OF APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES,
PARTNERSHIPS AND BOARDS**

APPOINTMENTS MADE BY VIRTUE OF ROLE/POSITION (current appointees in red)

APPOINTMENTS TO BE MADE BY CABINET

(one appointment unless otherwise stated)

BID Company Ltd (Morecambe) **Cllr Wilkinson**
 Community Safety Partnership (Cabinet Member and reserve) **Cllr C Jackson (Cllr P Jackson reserve)**
 Growth Lancashire Limited (Cabinet Member and reserve) **Cllr Potter (Cllr Wilkinson reserve)**
 Health and Wellbeing Partnership (Cabinet Member and reserve) **Cllr P Jackson (Cllr C Jackson reserve)**
 Lancashire Leaders Meeting (Leader of the Council) **Cllr P Black**
 Lancashire Waste Partnership **Cllr Ainscough**
 Lancaster Community Fund Grants Panel (1 place; the other place is by nomination and voting at Council) **Cllr P Jackson**
 Lancaster Business Improvement District (BID) Management Group **Cllr Wilkinson**
 LGA General Assembly (Leader of the Council) **Cllr P Black**
 Lancashire Police and Crime Partnership (appropriate Cabinet Member) **Cllr Armistead**
 Yorkshire Dales National Park Board **Cllr P Jackson**

VETERANS' CHAMPION

Ex-Officio Trustee of the Kings Own Royal Regiment Museum **Cllr Dennison**

APPOINTMENTS TO BE MADE BY OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY

(one appointment unless otherwise stated)

Homelessness Forum **Cllr Hanna**
 Lancaster, Morecambe and District Fairtrade Group **Cllr A Mills**

APPOINTMENTS TO BE MADE BY OTHER COMMITTEES

Organisation	Basis of Appointment
Crook O'Lune Advisory Committee	1 rep from Planning Committee Cllr Pritchard and ward Members, see below
North West Local Authority Employers' Organisation	Chair of Personnel Committee (Vice Chair of Personnel Committee as substitute) Cllr Harris (Cllr Wood sub)

APPOINTMENTS HELD BY WARD COUNCILLORS

Organisation	Ward (All Ward Councillors unless otherwise stated)
Crook O'Lune Advisory Committee	Lower Lune Valley and Halton with Aughton and Kellet Wards; one Cllr (by agreement) from each ward Cllr P Jackson (LLV) and Cllr McGowan (HwA&K)
Friendship Centre Management Committee	Castle; one representative by agreement Cllr Brookes

**SCHEDULE OF APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES,
PARTNERSHIPS AND BOARDS**

**APPOINTMENTS MADE BY FULL COUNCIL
(one appointment unless otherwise stated)**

Arnsdale and Silverdale AONB Unit – Cllr Tyldesley
Board of the Lancaster District Chamber of Commerce – Cllr Potter
Board of Trustees of the Lancaster Charity (6 places) Cllrs Brookes, Budden, Cozler, Maddocks, Pritchard and Redfern.
The Dukes – Cllr Thornberry
Forest of Bowland AONB Advisory Committee – Cllr Colbridge
Furness Line Community Railway Partnership – Cllr Greenwell
George Fox School Educational Charity – Cllr Hall
Heysham Nuclear Power Station Local Community Liaison Council (9 places) – Cllrs Cleet, Greenwell, Hanson, Hart, Hartley, Lenox, Pattison, Potter and Wood.
James Bond/Henry Welch Trust – Cllr Thornberry
Lancaster Canal Regeneration Partnership – Cllr McGowan
Lancaster and Skipton Rail User Group (LASRUG) – Cllr Blaikie
Lancaster Community Fund Grants Panel (1 place; the other place is a Cabinet appointment) – Cllr Pattison
Lancaster District CVS – Cllr Thornberry
Lancaster Ripley Church of England Education Trust – Cllrs Punshon and Cooper
Lancashire County Council Health Scrutiny Committee (co-optee, non voting) – Cllr Gawith
LGA Coastal Issues Special Interest Group – VACANT
North Lancashire Citizens' Advice Board (3 places, Morecambe, Lancaster and Rural) – Cllrs Hanna, Whitaker and Stubbins.
Landscapes for Life – Cllr P Jackson
Cllr Preston and Western Lancashire Racial Equality Council – Cllr Abuhajar
Reserve Forces and Cadets Association for the N. West of England and the Isle of Man – Cllr Bradley
The Community Rail Partnership (formerly Leeds-Morecambe and Settle-Carlisle Railway Development) – Cllr Blaikie