

# Appointments to LSP Thematic Groups Urgent Business Decision

# **Report of the Head of Democratic Services**

To advise of a requirement to make Cabinet appointments to a number of LSP bodies by 30<sup>th</sup> May 2008

This report is public

#### 1. RECOMMENDATION

That consideration be given to the appointment of Cabinet representatives to the LSP Thematic Groups as a matter of urgency to enable nominations to be submitted by the deadline of 30<sup>th</sup> May 2008.

# 2. Report

- 2.1 Council at its meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2008 approved the basis on which appointments to outside bodies, partnerships and boards should be made.
- 2.2 Those allocated to Cabinet to make an appointment are the subject of a report to the meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2008.
- 2.3 In the meantime a request has been received from the Lancaster District Local Strategic Partnership Manager for nominated representatives and a named substitute for each of the Thematic Groups to be submitted to the LSP no later than 30<sup>th</sup> May.
- 2.4 It should be noted that each of these appointments is nominally for the three year life of the Sustainable Community Strategy. However since the appointments are being made on the basis that appointees are members of the City Council's Cabinet, the LSP will be advised that the representative may change and any Member accepting appointment will be required to resign the position on leaving the Cabinet.

2.5 Nominations are therefore required to the following positions in advance of the Cabinet meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> June:

Organisation	Basis of appointment
LSP Children & Young People	Cabinet Member appointed to the Children's
Thematic Group	Trust Partnership Lancaster District
LSP Economy Thematic Group	Cabinet Member
LSP Environment Thematic Group	Cabinet Member
LSP Safety Thematic Group	Cabinet Member appointed to Community Safety Partnership Executive
LSP Health and Wellbeing Thematic Group	Cabinet Member
LSP Education, Skills and Opportunities Thematic Group	Cabinet Member
LSP Valuing People Thematic Group	Cabinet Member
LSP Working Groups to be established by the Thematic Groups	Cabinet Member

# 3. Options

- 3.1 Option 1 To submit nominations by the required deadline.
- 3.2 Option 2 Not to submit nominations as requested.

# 4. Officer Preferred Option (and comments)

4.1 Officers' preferred option is Option 1 to ensure that the Council is properly represented on all bodies of the re-structured LSP.

# 5 Conclusion

- 5.1 Council has delegated appointments to all LSP bodies to Cabinet. These appointments are required in accordance with the Council's urgent business procedure in order to meet the deadlines set by the LSP.
- 5.2 It is recommended that appointments be aligned as closely as possible to individual Cabinet Members' portfolios.

#### RELATIONSHIP TO POLICY FRAMEWORK

Representation on Partnerships is part of the City Council's community leadership role.

# **CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

(including Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, Sustainability etc)

None.

# FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Members of partnerships are entitled to travel expenses, which are currently being funded from within existing budgets.

# SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS

The Section 151 Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.

# **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

Membership of LSP bodies is in accordance with the Constitution of the LSP.

# MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS

The Monitoring Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.

**BACKGROUND PAPERS** 

None

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