

## Appointments to Outside Bodies

13 July 2016

### Report of the Chief Executive

#### PURPOSE OF REPORT

To consider making;

- a non-Cabinet appointment to Lancashire County Council's Health Scrutiny Committee;
- an appointment to the James Bond/Henry Welch Trust.

**This report is public**

#### RECOMMENDATION

- (1) That Council considers making appointments to:
- (a) Lancashire County Council's Health Scrutiny Committee. (*Only non-Cabinet Members may be nominated.*)
  - (b) the James Bond/Henry Welch Trust

#### 1.0 Lancashire County Council's Health Scrutiny Committee

- 1.1 At the Annual Council meeting, Councillor Pattison was appointed to Lancashire County Council's Health Scrutiny Committee. Unfortunately, because this is one of the County Council's scrutiny bodies, only non-Cabinet Members can be appointed. Therefore, the appointment made by Council on 16 May is invalid.
- 1.2 In view of this, Council is asked to fill the vacancy at this meeting by nomination and voting at Council (non-Cabinet nominees only).

#### 2.0 James Bond/Henry Welch Trust

- 2.1 The James Bond/Henry Welch Trust is a charity, administered by the City Council, for the provision of financial assistance for people with diseases of the chest and lung, and for children with disabilities and other special needs living within the district of the Council.

- 2.2 The trustees meet quarterly to consider requests for financial assistance. Meetings are generally held at Lancaster Town Hall on the last Friday of January, April, July and October, in the afternoon.
- 2.3 The majority of the requests for assistance are on behalf of children with disabilities and special needs. Before a request is considered, a home visit is undertaken by two of the trustees, who are then able to provide further details when the request is being considered. The Council's nominee should be willing to be an active member of the trust, accompanying the Home Visitor on some such visits between meetings. It is difficult to estimate the time commitment, but by way of example, nine requests for assistance were considered at the Trust's meeting in July 2015.
- 2.4 At the Council meeting on 23 September 2015, Council determined that the basis of appointment to the James Bond/Henry Welch Trust should be by nomination and voting at full Council. Councillor Tracy Brown was put forward as the Council's appointment but is now unable to fulfil that role. Council is therefore asked to put forward a Member for appointment by the Trust. If a nomination is made at this meeting, the trustees will be asked to confirm the appointment at their next meeting in late July.

### **3.0 Conclusion**

- 3.1 Council is asked to make a non-Cabinet appointment to the vacancy on Lancashire County Council's Health Scrutiny Committee and to put forward a Council Member for appointment to the James Bond/Henry Welch Trust.

#### **CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

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

None directly arising from this report.

#### **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

None directly arising from this report.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Members of outside bodies are entitled to travel expenses. Costs resulting from this appointment would be minimal and would be met from existing democratic representation budgets.

#### **OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

##### **Human Resources:**

None

##### **Information Services:**

None

##### **Property:**

None

##### **Open Spaces:**

None

**SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS**

The s151 Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.

**MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS**

The Monitoring Officer has drafted this report in her role as Democratic Services Manager.

**BACKGROUND PAPERS**

None

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