

COUNCIL

Appointments to Outside Bodies 14 December 2022 Report of the Head of Democratic Services

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To consider making one appointment to the Lancashire Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee and one appointment the LGA Coastal Issues Special Interest Group.

This report is public

RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) That Council determines the basis of appointment for each outside body (see paragraphs (2) and (3) in the report.
- (2) That, should Council determine that the basis of appointment to either or both roles be by nomination and voting at Council, that nomination(s) be taken and appointment(s) made at this meeting.

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 Two vacancies on outside bodies have occurred.

2.0 Lancashire Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee

- 2.1 Lancaster City Council has one seat on the Lancashire Health and Adult Services Scrutiny Committee. Council previously determined that the basis of appointment should be by nomination and voting at full Council.

- 2.2 On 18 May 2020, Councillor Dowding was appointed to the Committee by Council. Councillor Dowding has now resigned from that role and a vacancy has occurred. This report has been brought before Members to consider appointing to that vacancy by

- (a) reconfirming that appointment should be on the basis of nomination and voting at full Council, or determining that it should be by virtue of position, such as Chair of Overview and Scrutiny, relevant Cabinet Member or some other position; and
- (b) If it is reconfirmed that an appointment should be made by full Council, that nominations be put forward and an appointment made at this meeting.

- 2.3 Information about the Committee including the schedule of meetings, which are held at County Hall, Preston, can be viewed on the County Council's website [HERE](#).

- 2.4 Please note that membership of this scrutiny body is not restricted to non-Cabinet members only; Cabinet Members can be appointed.

3.0 LGA Coastal Issues Special Interest Group

- 3.1 This is a group of 57 coastal local authorities, covering 60% of England's coastline, which the Council had a place on for some years. However some time in 2020/21, Democratic Services were told that the group was being re-organised, so no appointment was made. When compiling the list of outside bodies for 2022, Democratic Services was erroneously informed that Lancaster City Council no longer had a place on the LGA Coastal Issues SIG and it was removed from the list of outside bodies. Previously Council had determined that the basis of appointment should be the relevant Cabinet Member and Councillor Frea was the last Councillor to be appointed by Cabinet in August 2019.
- 3.2 Information about the group can be found here www.lgacoastalsig.com.
- 3.3 For this vacancy, Members are asked to consider appointment by
- (a) reconfirming that appointment should be on the basis of position, being relevant Cabinet Member, or determining that it should be by nomination and voting at full Council; and
 - (b) If it is determined that an appointment should be made by full Council, that nominations be put forward and an appointment made at this meeting.

4.0 Conclusion

- 4.1 Council is asked to consider appointing to places on two outside bodies as explained in this report.

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 should 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 been consulted and has no further comments.	
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