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Committee: Corporate Governance & Finance Committee

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1.0 <u>ISSUE</u>

1.1 To receive the Annual Reports from appointed Council representatives on the activities and manner in which funding is spent by the outside bodies within the responsibility of the Corporate Governance & Finance Committee.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That the Annual Reports from appointed Council representatives on the activities and manner in which funding is spent by the outside bodies within the responsibility of the Corporate Governance & Finance Committee be noted.

3.0 BACKGROUND/OPTIONS

- 3.1 As part of the amendments to the Constitution approved at Council on 22nd May 2012, the Terms of Reference of all relevant Committees were revised in order to give them the authority to appoint to outside bodies within their remit, from the wider membership of the Council, for a period of up to 4 years. This means that representation will normally only be reviewed within the 4 year period between elections where there is a change of circumstances/status, a Member resigns, or there is a vacancy on a body.
- 3.2 With the introduction of the re-structured committee system from May 2014, the current list of Outside Bodies has been reviewed and the Bodies allocated to reflect the areas of service delivery. Attached at Appendix 1 is the current list of Outside Bodies within the remit of the Corporate Governance & Finance Committee.
- 3.3 Members are asked to note that there are vacancies for representatives on the following Internal Drainage Boards: Cawdle Fen, Littleport & Downham, Middle Fen & Mere, and Padnal & Waterden.
- 3.4 Also attached at Appendix 2 are copies of the information pages from the Outside Bodies Booklet, giving details of the aims and activities of the individual Outside Bodies within the remit of the Corporate Governance & Finance Committee, together with a copy of the Annual Report submitted by the Councillor representative(s) on that Body. Of particular note in the

Councillors' Annual Reports, will be the comments that they have made as to how the work of the Outside Body supports the Corporate objectives of the Council and whether continued representation on the Body is worthwhile.

3.5 Members are asked to receive the Annual Reports from Councillors and note the list of Outside Bodies allocated to the Corporate Governance & Finance Committee and the Members appointed as Council representatives on those Bodies, unless there are any Members that wish to fill the vacancies or not to continue to serve on any body.

4.0 <u>ARGUMENTS/CONCLUSIONS</u>

4.1 There are no additional cost implications arising from this report.

5.0 APPENDICES

5.1 Appendix 1 – current list of Outside Bodies within remit of Corporate Governance & Finance Committee.

Appendix 2 – information pages from Outside Bodies Booklet, giving details of aims and activities of individual Outside Bodies within remit of Corporate Governance & Finance Committee, together with copies of Annual Reports submitted by Councillor representative(s) on the Bodies.

Background Documents	Location	Contact Officer
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CORPORATE GOVERNANCE & FINANCE COMMITTEE

ORGANISATION	CURRENT REPRESENTATIVE(S)	LEAD OFFICER
East of England Local Government Association	James Palmer (Leader of Council)	John Hill
Local Government Association	Philip Read	John Hill
Local Government Association – District Council's Network	James Palmer (Leader of Council)	John Hill
Local Government Association - Rural Commission	Hazel Williams, MBE	John Hill
Internal Drainage Boards		
Burnt Fen	Derrick Beckett Tony Parramint	Linda Grinnell
Cawdle Fen	Lindsey Harris Tony Cornell Jeremy Friend-Smith Mike Rouse Charles Roberts Tom Hunt Vacancy	Linda Grinnell
Haddenham Level	Bill Hunt Gareth Wilson	Linda Grinnell
Littleport & Downham	Tony Goodge David Ambrose Smith Andy Wright Mike Rouse Vacancy Vacancy	Linda Grinnell
Middle Fen & Mere	Derrick Beckett James Palmer Colin Fordham Tony Parramint Vacancy	Linda Grinnell
Padnal & Waterden	Tony Cornell David Ambrose Smith Philip Read	Linda Grinnell

	Tony Goodge Sheila Friend-Smith,MBE Elaine Griffin-Singh Vacancy	
Swaffham	Lavinia Edwards Allen Alderson Robert Stevens Hazel Williams, MBE SCDC Councillor	Linda Grinnell
Waterbeach Level	Robert Stevens	Linda Grinnell