

ANNUAL REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Committee: Resources & Finance Committee

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1.0 ISSUE

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 Resources & 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 Resources & 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 a re-structured Committee system from May 2017, the list of Outside Bodies was reviewed and the Bodies allocated to reflect the areas of service delivery. Attached at Appendix 1 is the list of Outside Bodies currently within the remit of the Resources & Finance Committee.

3.3 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 Resources & 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.

3.4 Following a review of representation on the Internal Drainage Boards (IDB's) and appointments made to a number of vacancies, it was resolved to invite nominations from Council to serve on those IDB's with an existing vacancy. In

the case of outstanding vacancies, nominations would be sought from Parish Councils (where relevant).

- 3.4.1 There being no nominations at the meeting of Full Council on 19th April 2018, the Chief Executive duly wrote to the City of Ely and Littleport Parish Councils seeking nominations to the vacancies on the Cawdle Fen and Padnal & Waterden IDB's. The outcome will be reported at the next meeting of the Committee on 26th July 2018.
- 3.5 Members are asked to note that the Greater Cambridge Greater Peterborough Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) has been removed from the list of Outside Bodies with effect from 2018/19. The LEP ceased to operate as from 1st April 2018 and was replaced by a new Business Board which does not include a representative from ECDC.
- 3.6 Members are asked to receive the Annual Reports from Councillors, and to note the list of Outside Bodies allocated to the Resources & Finance Committee.

4.0 ARGUMENTS/CONCLUSIONS

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

5.0 APPENDICES

- 5.1 Appendix 1 – List of Outside Bodies currently within remit of the Resources & Finance Committee.

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

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