

Cabinet

DATE OF MEETING: 7 JULY 2022

TITLE OF REPORT: NOMINATION TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Report of: Joint Chief Executive

Cabinet Portfolio: Leader of the Council

Key Decision: No

Confidentiality: Non-Exempt

PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To outline the engagement the Council has undertaken with partners over the past year and to seek nominations to Hart's approved list of Outside Bodies for the coming year

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That

a. Cabinet notes the feedback from the key partner meetings that have been held as set out in Appendix 1

b. Cabinet considers, and where appropriate amends, the list of Outside Bodies it wishes to formally be appointed to as set out in Appendix 2.

c. Cabinet nominates and approves the representatives for each of the Outside Bodies as identified in Appendix 2

BACKGROUND

2. The Council is part of the community that it serves, both at a local, regional and national level and is often invited to represent the views of the residents or businesses of the District, or the local government sector, on a variety of different bodies.

3. As a result, Cabinet considers on an annual basis, appointment to these bodies on behalf of Hart District Council.

4 At the end of each year, each representative is requested to prepare a short report outlining the role of the organisation; the benefit to the Council of providing a representative to that organisation; and how the priorities of the organisation link with the Council's corporate priorities. A summary of the report is in Appendix 1.

MAIN ISSUES

5. Cabinet are asked to review the list of Outside Bodies that are reported in Appendix 2 and consider if it remains up to date, and well founded, based on the work that the Council is currently carrying out and the feedback provided in Appendix 1.

6. Subject to any amendments to the list of Outside Bodies further to Cabinets consideration, Cabinet are asked to both nominate and appoint representatives to the Outside Bodies

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

7. To not consider the appointment to outside bodies, this may not be in alignment with the Councils constitution, nor the Councils role in the community.

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS

1. The proposed projects would fit with the Corporate Plan as follows:
“Working with our local communities and other stakeholders, we want to make sure that Hart remains an attractive place to live”
2. The proposed projects would also fit with the Hart Vision 2040:
“Different skills will be needed and more than ever, we will need to work in collaboration with our partners whether they are private, public or voluntary sector.”

Service Plan

- Is the proposal identified in the Service Plan? No
- Is the proposal being funded from current budgets? No
- Have staffing resources already been identified and set aside for this proposal?
No

Legal and Constitutional Issues

8. Member representatives on behalf of Hart District Council will need to adhere to the rules and guidance set out within the Constitution in undertaking these roles.

Financial and Resource Implications

9. There are no direct financial implications associated with this paper. Members are permitted to submit claims for direct expenses (e.g. mileage) for attending meetings on behalf of Hart District Council. Details can be found in the Constitution.

Risk Management

10. There are no identified risks associated with this report.

EQUALITIES

11. The broader engagement of the Council with a wide range of groups, with different perspectives and needs helps the Council appreciate and understand how its services impacts on Equalities. There are no negative impacts to equalities from this report.

CLIMATE CHANGE IMPLICATIONS

12. There are no direct Climate Change implications as a result of this report.

ACTION

13. Subject to the decision of Cabinet, Hart District Council will advise any Outside Body of any changes to approved representative.

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Appendices

Appendix 1 – 2021/22 Summary of Comments from Representatives

Appendix 2 – List of Outside Bodies and required nominations