



INFORMATION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
RESOURCES DIRECTORATE	ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND HOUSING COMMITTEE	2 JUNE 2020	7

REPORTS OF THE VARIOUS OUTSIDE BODIES

PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

On 15 July 2019, Council made a number of appointments to outside bodies. These appointments followed from recommendations from the programme committees for appointments from within their respective memberships.

Nominations and appointments for the 2020/2021 municipal year have been delayed due to the Coronavirus outbreak. Regulations passed by central government as a result of the Coronavirus (Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020) allowed local authorities to extend current appointments for an additional year until 2021, therefore all appointments made in 2019/20 remain in place throughout 2020/21.

In line with the Protocol for Members on Outside Bodies (Part 5f of the Council's Constitution), every member serving on an outside body is required to complete a reporting form every six months, which is submitted to the relevant programme committee to which the external partnership relates. Members last reported in January 2020.

Included as an appendix to this report are: returned completed reporting forms and a list of outstanding reports/ details of those bodies which have not met.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Elected member representatives to the Outside Bodies

INFORMATION ATTACHED

Outside Bodies Reports and Summary

WHY IS THIS INFORMATION BEING GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE?

The information is provided to maintain an understanding of the work of the outside bodies, and remain abreast of any issues that may have an impact on the residents of the borough or the council.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact Tracy Manning, Director of Resources – tracy.manning@fylde.gov.uk

Outside Body		Councillor	Report Status
Environment, Health & Housing Committee, 2/6/2020 meeting			
	Children's Partnership Board (formally the Children's Trust)	Will Harris	Nil return, no meeting
	Citizens Advice Fylde	Noreen Griffiths	Report attached
	Citizens Advice Fylde	John Singleton	Report attached
	Citizens Advice Fylde	Linda Nulty	Report attached
	Community Safety Partnership	Ben Aitken	Nil return, no meeting
	Council for Voluntary Services, BWF	Gavin Harrison	Nil return, no meeting
	East Lytham Working Group	Roger Lloyd	Nil return, no meeting
	Fylde & Wyre Health & Wellbeing Partnership	Viv Willder	Nil return, no meeting
	Fylde Coast LGBT Strategic Partnership	Shirley Green	Nil return, no meeting
	Fylde Coast Women's Aid	Viv Willder	Report attached
	Fylde Peninsular Water Management Group	Ben Aitken	Report attached
	Just Good Friends	Viv Willder	Nil return, no meeting
	Lancashire Health & Wellbeing Board	Viv Willder	Report attached
	LCC Health & Scrutiny Committee	Viv Willder	Report attached
	Local Liaison Committee Springfield Works	Roger Lloyd	Nil return, no meeting
	Local Liaison Committee Springfield Works	Ben Aitken	Nil return, no meeting
	MATAC	Roger Lloyd	Nil return, no meeting
	OneFylde	Angela Jacques	Report attached
	Police and Crime Commissioners Panel	Ben Aitken	Nil return
	Registered Providers Partnership(RSO) (formerly RSL)	Ben Aitken	Nil return, no meeting
	YMCA Housing (Face to Face)	Viv Willder	Nil return, no meeting

Information

Councillor Name and Role on Outside Body (for example, Observer, Trustee, Director):-

Noreen Griffiths Committee Member Fylde Citizens Advice Bureau

Email

Cllr.ngriffiths@fylde.gov.uk

Period this report covers (date)

January to April 2020

Name of Outside Body

Fylde CAB

How often does the organisation meet?

3 monthly

How often have you attended?

Once (by e-mail)

What are the key issues arising for Fylde Borough Council

Funding

Examples of issues could be those that may affect decisions regarding budget setting, challenges for residents, policy changes that affect partnership working etc

Due to Coronavirus restrictions CAB are having to purchase mobile phones and laptops for volunteers to work from home. In these extraordinary times due to COVID-19, CAB are receiving many queries for advice. Next meeting in July may need to be virtual.

Who did you inform of these issues within Fylde Borough Council?

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In the light of these meetings, is it worthwhile for the Council to continue to have a representative/representatives on this body?

Yes. This service is invaluable to members of the public that we as Councillors represent.

Any further comments?

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Citizens Advice Fylde Management Committee meeting. Outside body report-for April 2020 by email participation - Cllr John Singleton JP

The board appreciate the support offered by the local authority for a further 3 years.

1 Covid-19

Rosemary project- There has been an increase in domestic violence. CAB is making referrals to Fylde Coast Women's Aid and Lancashire Victim Services.

The CAB Office- The office is now closed and all Face to Face interviews have been suspended. Enhanced telephone services are in place as the need for advice has increased. The CAB has enabled web chat via the website.

Help to claim- The government have funded the project for another year. This is being ran as a telephone web chat service

Reserve funding- The board agreed to fund the operations of the Rosemary project and the revised at home service from reserves until 31st March 2021 when new funding will be available.

At home service- This has been suspended. The CAB is requesting clients to send their forms to the office. Once received they will receive a call to go through the form.

2 Salary increase-

It was proposed by the Chair to make a salary increase of 2%. There was no increase last year and the FBC submission included a 2% increase in salaries. This was agreed by members of the board.

3 Future meetings

Future board meetings will be conducted by virtual meeting room

4 Jan-March stats (issues)

503 Clients with 1,516 issues

Some examples of Client issues:-

Benefits and Tax Credits	360
Universal Credit	392
Debt	240
Employment	96
Relationships	86
Housing	76

5 Top benefit claim issues

Initial claim	299
P.I.P.	106
ESA	40
AA	33
CA	24

6 Top Debt Issues

Debt relief order	45
Council Tax arrears	30
Credit cards	11

7 Age spread

Age	Clients
15-19	4
20-40	125
40-60	211
60-84	163
Total	503

8 Five year plan-

The officers are preparing a 5 year plan which includes the following topics:-

Maintain and develop relationship with Fylde Borough Council

Increase volunteers to 40 by December 2021

Approach all Town and Parish Councils for contributions by December 2020

Increase outreach provision from 2 to 4 sessions per week by June 2021

Increase home provision by 50% by June 2021

Increase telephone coverage to 6 hours per day, 5 days per week by end 2020

Recruit a further 3 Trustees for the board by December 2020

9 Accounts including reserves £82,496

Cllr John Singleton

30th April 2020

Outside Bodies - Member Reporting Form

Details

Councillor Name and Role on Outside Body (*for example, Observer, Trustee, Director*):-

Cllr Linda Nulty - Trustee

Email:- cllr.lnulty@fylde.gov.uk

Period this report covers (date):- Up to 20th May

Name of Outside Body:- Fylde Citizens Advice

How often does the organisation meet? And how often have you attended?:-

Usually approximately every 6 weeks

I have attended almost every meeting

Because of Corona Virus there has not been a meeting recently, but we do get regular updates

Key issues arising for Fylde Borough Council:-

Examples of issues could be those that may affect decisions regarding budget setting, challenges for residents, policy changes that affect partnership working etc

Obviously Corona Virus /Covid 19 has given rise to problems, both in providing the service and with the number of residents requiring help. The service has managed to continue with staff and volunteers working remotely from home with an online and telephone service responding as well as possible to problems presented to Citizens Advice.

Some staff are now returning to the office making it possible to do work that requires paperwork or in depth investigation.

Having the Kirkham depot of Fylde Foodbank in the same building helps both services to refer clients from one service to the other.

Who did you inform of these issues within Fylde Borough Council?:-

The Citizens Advice Chief Executive keeps in touch with FBC officers regularly

In the light of these meetings, is it worthwhile for the Council to continue to have a representative/representatives on this body?:-

Definitely we can keep in touch with the service that is delivered, raise issues and help make decisions

Any further comments?:-

Fylde Citizens Advice continues to offer an exceptional service to the residents of Fylde and I am sure will be needed even more in the coming months as people hit more financial problems and insecurity.

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Details

Councillor Name and Role on Outside Body *(for example, Observer, Trustee, Director):-*

Cllr Vivienne Willder Observer?

Email:-

Cllrvwillder@fylde.gov.uk

Period this report covers (date):-

January to May 2020

Name of Outside Body:-

Fylde Coast Women's Aid

How often does the organisation meet? And how often have you attended?:-

They do not have meetings, but I asked to speak with a representative from WA as I had never written about them since I was on this Outside Body.

Key issues arising for Fylde Borough Council:-

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A great meeting at the Town Hall in February....where Glenda (Assistant Manager)told me a lot about what they do! They are a company and a registered charity.

They have 27 staff, 9 volunteers.

The charity shop in Poulton le Fylde, gets a lot of footfall, and a big percentage to the local church! The Fylde have 3 Women's Aid premisesand can house up to 12 families in 1 house!

Who did you inform of these issues within Fylde Borough Council?:-

No issues that I can deduct, a great partnership with FBC.

In the light of these meetings, is it worthwhile for the Council to continue to have a representative/representatives on this body?:-

Yes a great organisation26 years.....a fairly new contract with LCC...SAFENET.

Any further comments?:-

Hope I can write about this organisation again!

They usually have a BALL every year (October)....

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Councillor Name and Role on Outside Body (for example, Observer, Trustee, Director):-

Ben Aitken representative

Email

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Period this report covers (date)

Spring 2020

Name of Outside Body

Fylde Peninsula Water Management

How often does the organisation meet?

Varies sometimes months apart.

How often have you attended?

Regular attender

What are the key issues arising for Fylde Borough Council

Pre season sampling of bathing water quality has been delayed due to the labs being used for virus testing. Testing is a precursor for the beginning of the season. It will require a government strategy when lockdown ends. Wyre uses Electronic signs for information. St.A North beach drop in status needs an action plan for improvement working with UU on this. Lots of work needed to improve all water quality. Fylde has been awarded £300,000 for a feasibility study on the island sea defences. Blackpool similar for Bispham. New £38m project to begin in Nov at Rossall/Fleetwood. Discussed damage due to storm Ciara and the flooding at Rigby Rd/Victoria Road Blackpool. UU are monitoring closely the effects of house developments at Kirkham, Wrea Green and Warton/Freckleton in the Preston drainage area. Concerns about the huge numbers of houses being planned. SUDS are a concern due to the lack of LCC input and the reliance on developers.

Examples of issues could be those that may affect decisions regarding budget setting, challenges for residents, policy changes that affect partnership working etc

No

Who did you inform of these issues within Fylde Borough Council?

Committee

In the light of these meetings, is it worthwhile for the Council to continue to have a representative/representatives on this body?

Yes

Any further comments?

No

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Councillor Name and Role on Outside Body *(for example, Observer, Trustee, Director):-*

Vivienne Willder

Email:- cllrvwillder@fylde.gov.uk

Period this report covers (date):- January 2020 to May 2020

Name of Outside Body:- Lancashire Health and Wellbeing Board

How often does the organisation meet? And how often have you attended?:-

Usually about 4 times a year....but only had 1 this reporting time!February 2020....all other meetings cancelled .

Key issues arising for Fylde Borough Council:-

Examples of issues could be those that may affect decisions regarding budget setting, challenges for residents, policy changes that affect partnership working etc

One of the main topics...was the advanced Integration of the Care Strategy.

The Better Care Fund (BCF)...to create a single pooled budget and to plan working around people (Health and Social Care Services)with a strong emphasis on Community Based Services. It was agreed to work across with other H&W Boards...(Blackburn with Darwen, Blackpool & Cumbria). And to constantly check and challenge the programme at key Intervals.

(Obviously with Covid 19....this is now being actioned with enclosed meetings (top Officers) and coming out as NEWSLETTERS ETC.

These “we” can pass on to colleagues at Fylde

Who did you inform of these issues within Fylde Borough Council?:-

No issues that I can see! But I pass onto Councillors and Kathy Winstanley

In the light of these meetings, is it worthwhile for the Council to continue to have a representative/representatives on this body?:-

Yes to Continue.....

Any further comments?:-

Now with certain lockdowns.....not sure WHEN a full face to face will occur.....Zoom meetings?

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Councillor Name and Role on Outside Body *(for example, Observer, Trustee, Director):*

Cllr. Vivienne Willder

Co-Opted Member

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cllrvwillder@fylde.gov.uk

Period this report covers (date):-

January to May 2020

Name of Outside Body:-

LCC Health Scrutiny Committee

How often does the organisation meet? And how often have you attended?:-

Usually 4 times a year... February 2020 only

A special meeting on "Our Health Our Care" programme to be in two weeks time later in February..... was cancelled

Key issues arising for Fylde Borough Council:-

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The NHS staff gave an update on the 5 year local strategy for Lancashire and South Cumbria....an update from the H&W Board, the previous week.....and noted

The Commissioning Reform for Lancashire and South Cumbria was debated....and noted

Who did you inform of these issues within Fylde Borough Council?:-

I pass any relevant Documents to Kathy Winstanley

In the light of these meetings, is it worthwhile for the Council to continue to have a representative/representatives on this body?:-

Yes

Any further comments?:-

All information from our local CCG's ...comes as a Newsletter...which I forward on to FBC

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Councillor Name and Role on Outside Body (*for example, Observer, Trustee, Director*):-

Councillor Angela Jacques - Trustee

Email:- cllrajaques@fylde.gov.uk

Period this report covers (date):- Nov 2019 to May 2020

Name of Outside Body:- One Fylde

How often does the organisation meet? And how often have you attended?:-

Attended 4 meetings, last 3 via Zoom

Key issues arising for Fylde Borough Council:-

Examples of issues could be those that may affect decisions regarding budget setting, challenges for residents, policy changes that affect partnership working etc

None

Who did you inform of these issues within Fylde Borough Council?:-

N/a

In the light of these meetings, is it worthwhile for the Council to continue to have a representative/representatives on this body?:-

Yes

Any further comments?:-

No