

DECISION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
RESOURCES DIRECTORATE	PLANNING COMMITTEE	7 MARCH 2018	7

APPOINTMENT TO OUTSIDE BODIES/WORKING GROUPS

PUBLIC ITEM

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

SUMMARY

Each year full Council appoints members to outside bodies for the forthcoming municipal year.

In May 2015 Council asked that the programme committees make recommendations from within their respective memberships for those outside bodies relating to the brief for the committee.

This report covers those nominations that relate to the Planning Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The committee is invited to

1. recommend nominations to the outside bodies listed for consideration by council
2. recommend removal of the Economic Development Company (EDC) from the list of outside bodies following the decision to disband the company
3. confirm the establishment of the working groups(s) listed which will meet as and when required
4. to note the reports from members currently serving on outside bodies

SUMMARY OF PREVIOUS DECISIONS

20th May 2015 - Council sought recommendations from individual programme committees as to nominations for representation.

6 July 2015 – Council confirmed the nominations from the programme committees.

11 April 2016 – Council confirmed the nominations from the programme committees.

3 April 2017 - Council confirmed the nominations from the programme committees.

CORPORATE PRIORITIES

Spending your money in the most efficient way to achieve excellent services (Value for Money)	√
Delivering the services that customers expect of an excellent council (Clean and Green)	
Working with all partners (Vibrant Economy)	√
To make sure Fylde continues to be one of the most desirable places to live (A Great Place to Live)	
Promoting Fylde as a great destination to visit (A Great Place to Visit)	√

REPORT

1. The Council makes a number of appointments to outside bodies in each municipal year. In an election year these appointments are made at the AGM. In non-election years, these appointments are made at the last Council meeting of the municipal year. In May 2015, the Council deferred the decision to appoint to '*... allow the various programme committees the opportunity to recommend appointments from within their respective memberships for those outside bodies relating to the brief of their committee*'.
2. The Council needs to make appointments to outside bodies at its meeting on 16 April 2018 for the forthcoming municipal year 2018/19. Nominations are sought from the programme committees for representatives to the outside bodies.
3. This report deals with the outside bodies that relate to the terms of reference for the Planning Committee. The first table below includes the name of the body/group, the role/purpose and which elected member currently represents the Council. The committee is invited to recommend nominations for consideration by Full Council.
4. Under the previous governance arrangements there existed the facility through scrutiny for members to establish specific task and finish groups to look in some depth at particular issues and make recommendations to Cabinet. With the adoption of the new governance arrangements that is no longer possible. However programme committees may wish to establish their own subject specific working groups to be set up when required in order to advise the parent programme committee on a particular topic/issue.
5. The second table below lists those working groups that relate to the terms of reference of the Planning Committee that are currently established. The establishment of working groups is within the responsibility of the individual programme committees and does not need the approval of Council.
6. It is important that the members nominated to represent the Council on outside bodies/working groups have an appropriate interest in the body/partnership/subject, can commit to positively represent the Council and be available to commit the time to attend the majority of the meetings involved.
7. The members nominated should ideally be a member of the programme committee to which the matter relates to.
8. The current protocol is that members are required to produce regular reports about the outside bodies on which they serve, currently every six months. It is the intention that this information will be made available to the programme committee members to which the external partnership relates.
9. The conclusion of any working group would be brought to committee in a formal report as previously occurred in scrutiny.
10. Members are asked to remove the Economic Development Company (EDC) from the list of Outside Bodies as it has now been disbanded.

Planning Committee- Outside bodies/partnerships			
Outside body / partnerships	Role/Purpose	Frequency of meetings	Current representation
Duty to Cooperate	Resolution of Cabinet 18/09/2013 - Leader of the Council appoints two members of the Council to sit on the joint member/officer Steering Group established to oversee the work under the Duty to Co-operate with neighbouring planning authorities.	When required	Chairman and Vice Chairman of Planning Committee
Planning Education Liaison Group	To ensure liaison between Lancashire CC and Fylde BC on education issues and to ensure these are reflected in planning policy and decisions made by Fylde BC	When required	Councillor Richard Redcliffe and Councillor Linda Nulty
Blackpool, Fylde & Wyre Economic Development Company (EDC) Leader's Group	Fylde coast economic partnership established to coordinate and promote economic growth	Disbanded – to be removed	Leader of the Council

Planning Committee– Working groups			
Working group	Role/purpose	Notes	Current representation
Local Listings Project Board	To establish a process and protocol, to be applied to compiling a local list of heritage assets including buildings. To undertake research in this regard and to make recommendations to Planning Committee in respect of the potential for local listing and related conservation issues.	When required	Councillors Richard Redcliffe, Maxine Chew and Ray Thomas.
SHLAA Steering Group	To consult with relevant stakeholders to keep the strategic housing land availability assessment up to date. Two Councillors to attend in an overseeing role.	Meets when required	Councillors Peter Collins, Linda Nulty.
Arboriculture & Landscape Strategy working group	To assist in the development of the strategy	Formed 13/9/17	Councillors Christine Akeroyd, Jan Barker, Neil Harvey, Kiran Mulholland, Ray Thomas

IMPLICATIONS	
Finance	No implications arising from this report
Legal	No implications arising from this report
Community Safety	No implications arising from this report
Human Rights and Equalities	No implications arising from this report
Sustainability and Environmental Impact	No implications arising from this report
Health & Safety and Risk Management	No implications arising from this report

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BACKGROUND PAPERS		
Name of document	Date	Where available for inspection
None		

Attached documents

Appendix 1 – Status of reports from Outside Bodies representatives

Appendix 2 – Reports from Outside Bodies representatives.