

LOCAL GOVERNMENT NORTH YORKSHIRE AND YORK**24 JUNE 2011****APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO SERVE ON OUTSIDE BODIES****REPORT OF THE HONORARY SECRETARY****1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 To invite LGNYY to appoint representatives to serve on outside bodies for 2011/12.

2.0 2010/11 REPRESENTATION

- 2.1 Last year, LGNYY made appointments to:-

- LGYH Leaders' Board (Executive)
- LGYH Spatial Planning Board
- LGYH Regeneration and Housing Board
- LGYH Transport Board
- LGYH Work and Skills Partnership Board
- LGYH Independent Sustainability Board
- Yorkshire and Humberside Rural Affairs Forum Management Group
- NYCC Pension Fund Committee (District Councils' representative)

- 2.2 The sub-region also has representation on the Yorkshire and Humberside European Regional Development Fund Performance Management Board for North East and West Yorkshire. The current representative, Councillor Derek Bastiman (Scarborough Borough Council), was appointed by the former Association of North Yorkshire Councils. His term of appointment concludes in 2013.

3.0 APPOINTMENTS FOR 2011/12**LGYH**

- 3.1 A proposed new governance structure for LGYH will be considered at LGYH's AGM on 8 July 2011. Under those proposals, the following will be abolished from July 2011:-

- LGYH Executive
- LGYH Spatial Planning Board
- LGYH Regeneration and Housing Board
- LGYH Transport Board

- 3.2 Also under the proposals, LGYH will have 1 Chair and three Vice-Chairs, ie one from each of the four sub-regions. The Chair will rotate around the sub-regions every two years. The Leeds City Region will take the Chair for 2011-13. Each of the remaining three sub-regions (ie, LGNYY, Sheffield City Region, and Hull and Humber Ports City Region) is asked to consider which Leader it wishes to nominate for that sub-region's LGYH Vice-Chair for the period 2011-13. A nomination by LGNYY is requested at recommendation 5.1 below.

3.3 The proposals also suggest the establishment of a small Yorkshire and the Humber Member Performance Improvement Board to replace the current RIEP Member Board. Under the proposals, the new Board will oversee the development of new arrangements for self-regulation and continue to maximise the opportunities for collaboration on improvement, procurement and efficiency through Councils working together across Yorkshire and the Humber. No further information is available at this time and it is not known whether LGNYY will be asked to appoint/nominate to any new Board. In the circumstances, I suggest that, if LGNYY needs to make any such appointment before LGNYY's September meeting, I, as the Honorary Secretary to LGNYY, should be authorised to seek nominations, and conduct any necessary ballot, electronically.

3.4 At today's meeting, LGNYY is invited to re-appoint its previous representatives on the following:-

- LGYH Work and Skills Partnership Board – County Councillor Chris Metcalfe
- LGYH Independent Sustainability Board – Councillor Brian Phillips (Hambleton District Council)

LGYH advise that the Work and Skills and Independent Sustainability Boards still currently exist but it is likely they may become self sustaining networks or eventually be abolished. LGYH has therefore suggested that sub-regions retain the current representatives on these Boards until the Boards determine what the arrangements will be in future.

Other Appointments

3.5 Appointments are invited to the following outside bodies for 2011/12:-

<u>Outside Body</u>	<u>2010/11 Representative</u>
Yorkshire and Humberside Rural Affairs Forum Management Group	Councillor Peter Sowray Substitute: Currently vacant. (John Fletcher was the Substitute, but retired in May 2011.)
NYCC Pension Fund Committee – 1 District Councillor and up to 2 District Councillor Substitutes	Councillor Jim Clark (Harrogate) Substitutes:- 1. Councillor Brian Phillips (Hambleton) 2. Vacancy

3.6 LGNYY is invited to appoint to Yorkshire and Humber Strategic Migration Group for 2011/12. LGNYY decided not to appoint to this Group for 2010/11. It was noted that Neil Irving (the County Council's Head of Policy and Partnerships) attended meetings. He advises today's meeting that he is happy to continue as the officer nominee and that he has an email list that he uses to pass on relevant items to colleagues in the County Council, the City of York Council, and District Councils. Neil Irving normally only attends every other meeting, which is an appropriate use of resources, and believes a Member nomination is not essential.

5.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5.1 LGNYY is asked to identify one Leader from this sub-region for nomination as one of three LGYH Vice-Chairs, to serve for the period 2011-13.
- 5.2 That the Honorary Secretary to LGNYY be authorised to seek nominations, and conduct any necessary ballot, electronically if LGNYY is asked to appoint/nominate to any new LGYH Boards and such appointments/nominations are required before the date of LGNYY's next meeting.
- 5.3 That County Councillor Chris Metcalfe be re-appointed to the LGYH Work and Skills Partnership Board.
- 5.4 That Councillor Brian Phillips (Hambleton District Council) be re-appointed to the LGYH Independent Sustainability Board.
- 5.5 LGNYY is asked to appoint representatives, to serve for 2011/12, on Yorkshire and Humberside Rural Affairs Forum Management Group and NYCC Pension Fund Committee, as identified in the table at paragraph 3.5
- 5.6 That no appointment be made to Yorkshire and Humber Strategic Migration Group for 2011/12.

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