

## North Yorkshire County Council

### Yorkshire Coast and Moors County Area Committee

5 July 2017

### Appointments to Outside Bodies

#### Report of the Assistant Chief Executive (Legal and Democratic Services)

#### 1.0 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To invite the Area Committee to make appointments, on behalf of the County Council, to various outside bodies.

#### 2.0 Background

2.1 The County Council's Constitution identifies various outside bodies to which this Area Committee is responsible for making appointments on behalf of the County Council. The Constitution identifies three categories of outside bodies. Those to which this Area Committee appoints are in Categories 2 and 3.

2.2 Category 2 outside bodies typically operate across the geographic area of more than one Electoral Division. The Constitution states, with regard to Category 2 outside bodies, that:-

- those appointed should be County Councillors;
- some officer briefing or other support may be provided;
- any report back will be to the Area Committee (which may report to the Executive on it, if appropriate); and
- expenses will be paid to County Councillors unless they are payable by the body appointed to.

2.3 Category 3 outside bodies typically operate across a smaller geographic area, usually within a single Electoral Division. The County Council's Constitution states, with regard to Category 3 outside bodies, that:-

- ♦ the person appointed is expected to be a member of the local community, but may be the local Member;
- ♦ the local Member will make a nomination to the relevant Area Committee;
- ♦ there will be no officer support;
- ♦ there will be no report back (unless the local Member deems it necessary) and any report back will be to the Corporate Director - Strategic Resources; and
- ♦ expenses will not be paid by the County Council.

2.4 Members appointed by the Area Committee to the outside bodies listed in Appendices A and B, when acting on behalf of those other organisations, are covered by the County Council's Indemnity Policy for Officers and Members.

### **3.0 Outside Bodies to which this Area Committee Appoints**

3.1 Category 2 outside bodies to which this Area Committee appoints are listed at Appendix A.

3.2 Category 3 outside bodies to which this Area Committee appoints are listed at Appendix B.

### **4.0 Further Information concerning each Outside Body**

4.1 The County Council's Legal and Democratic Services seeks and maintains the following information in respect of each outside body. Such information is available to Members on request.

- Purpose of outside body
- Meetings – frequency per year; venue; time of day/evening meetings held
- Minutes

### **5.0 Term of Appointments**

5.1 Past practice has been to appoint representatives to outside bodies to serve until the date of the subsequent County Council elections.

5.2 In accordance with 5.1, it is recommended below that the appointments now made to Category 2 outside bodies should be "to serve until the County Council elections in 2021".

5.2 With regard to Category 3 outside bodies, a local charity has recently suggested that the Area Committee may wish to consider appointing for the term "until a replacement is appointed". The alternative is for the Area Committee to appoint for the term "until the County Council elections in 2021". The local charity has highlighted that making appointments until the date of an election can put small charities in a difficult position if they need to make a decision after an election but before the Area Committee meets to make a new appointment. The recommendation below suggests that appointments to Category 3 outside bodies should be made "until a replacement is appointed". However, the Area Committee needs to be aware that this could mean that a County Councillor who is not re-elected in 2021 will still act as the County Council's representative on the charity for a few months after the election ie when he/she no longer has the electoral mandate.

### **6.0 Nomination and Appointment Process**

6.1 At today's meeting of the Area Committee:-

- In respect of Category 2 outside body appointments, the Chairman will invite Members to announce nominations at the meeting. Nominees should be County Councillors. Each nomination must be seconded. If the number of nominations for appointment to any outside body exceeds the number of vacancies on that body, Members will be asked to vote by show of hands to identify which County Councillors shall be appointed.
- In respect of each Category 3 outside body appointment, the Chairman will invite the relevant local Member(s), listed in the last column at Appendix B, to

announce the name of their nominee for each vacancy on that outside body. Nominees are expected to be a member of the local community but may be the local Member. Once seconded, Area Committee Members will be asked to vote to approve those appointments.

- 6.2 Local Members are asked to provide, to the County Council's Democratic Services Officer outside today's meeting, the contact details (ie, postal address, email address and phone number) of the local members of the community who the Area Committee appoints to Category 3 outside bodies. Such information is required for forwarding to the Secretary to the outside body.

## **7.0 Recommendations**

- 7.1 With regard to each Category 2 outside body listed at Appendix A, that the County Councillor(s), to be nominated and selected at today's meeting, be appointed to represent the County Council on that outside body, to serve until the County Council elections in 2021.
- 7.2 With regard to each Category 3 outside body listed at Appendix B, that the nominee for each vacancy, to be nominated at today's meeting by the relevant local Member(s), be appointed as the County Council's appointee on that outside body, to serve until a replacement is appointed.

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Background Documents: None

## APPENDIX A

### Category 2 Outside Bodies

- ◆ Those appointed to these bodies should be County Councillors.
- ◆ The appointments will be made by the Area Committee(s) concerned.
- ◆ Some officer briefing or other support may be provided.
- ◆ Any report back will be to the Area Committee (which may report to the Executive on it, if appropriate).
- ◆ Expenses will be paid to County Councillors unless they are payable by the body appointed to.

<b>Outside Body</b>	<b>No of seats</b>	<b>Appointed until 4.5.2017</b>
Citizens Advice Scarborough and District	1 + Sub	CC John Ritchie Sub: Vacancy
Scarborough United Scholarships Foundation with the John Kendal Trust	1 + Sub	CC Janet Jefferson Sub: Vacancy
North Yorkshire and Cleveland Coastal Forum Executive Committee	3	CC Joe Plant CC Derek Bastiman CC John Blackburn Sub: CC Helen Swiers

## APPENDIX B

### Category 3 Outside Bodies

- ♦ The person appointed is expected to be a member of the local community, but may be the local Member.
- ♦ The local Member will make a nomination to the relevant Area Committee.
- ♦ The relevant Area Committee will make the appointment.
- ♦ There will be no officer support.
- ♦ There will be no report back (unless the local Member deems it necessary). Any report back will be to the Corporate Director - Strategic Resources.
- ♦ Expenses will not be paid by the County Council.

**NB: The following outside bodies are not Partnerships for the purpose of Partnership Governance as they do not meet the relevant criteria.**

<b>Outside Body</b>	<b>No of seats</b>	<b>Appointee until 4.5.2017</b>	<b>County Councillor to Nominate</b>
Eskdaleside-cum-Ugglebarnby Educational Foundation	1	CC Helen Swiers	CC Clive Pearson
Staintondale Educational Trust	1	CC Derek Bastiman	CC Derek Bastiman