

North Yorkshire County Council
Richmond (Yorks) Area Constituency Committee

6 June 2022

Appointments to Outside Bodies

1.0 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To invite the Area Constituency 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 Constituency Committee is responsible for making appointments to, on behalf of the County Council. The Constitution identifies three categories of outside bodies. Those to which this Area Constituency Committee appoints are in Categories 2 and 3 (known as Local Bodies).

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 Constituency 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 Constituency 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 Constituency 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 Constituency Committee Appoints

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

3.2 Category 3 outside bodies to which this Area Constituency 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 department 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 2027”.

5.3 With regard to Category 3 outside bodies, the alternative is for the Area Constituency Committee to appoint for the term “until a replacement is appointed”.

6.0 Nomination and Appointment Process

6.1 At today's meeting of the Area Constituency 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, listed in the last column at Appendix B, to announce the name of his/her 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 Constituency Committee Members will be asked to vote to approve those appointments.

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

6.3 The decision to appoint to a category 2 or 3 outside body is an Executive function which has been delegated to the relevant Area Constituency Committee. As such, the decision to appoint must be published within 2 days of being made and is subject to the Council's call-in procedures.

7.0 Recommendation

7.1 With regard to each Category 2 outside body listed at Appendix a, that the County Councillor, 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 2027.

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, 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:

County Council Constitution – [New Council Constitutions \(northyorks.gov.uk\)](http://northyorks.gov.uk)