



# ADUR & WORTHING COUNCILS

**Leaders**  
**5 June 2017**

**Decision to be taken on or after**  
**13 June 2017**

**Ward: All**

**Key Decision: Yes / No**

## **Outside Body Appointments 2017/18**

### **Report by the Director for Communities**

#### **1.0 Summary**

1.1 This report asks the Leader of each Council to consider nominations for appointments to their Council's Outside Bodies within the remit of the Executive and determine the representation for 2017/18.

#### **2.0 Background**

2.1 Each year, each Council appoints Members to represent the authority at meetings of various local organisations, such as community groups, referred to as 'Outside Bodies'. These appointments strengthen the links and aid communication between the Council and the community and contribute to the role of local Councillors.

2.2 The Leader of the Council has delegated powers to consider the nominations received from Members and determine the appointments under the Local Choice Functions as outlined in the Constitution.

2.3 Each of the Council's current Outside Body organisations were consulted regarding their appointment(s) in April 2017 and the details updated accordingly. The organisations were all contacted individually and encouraged to provide more details to assist the Leader in matching skills of the councillors to the organisation's needs. All Councillors are being invited to nominate themselves via their group Leaders for the Outside Bodies they are interested in being appointed to; individual councillors can also submit their name to the relevant Leader directly. Details of the process will be outlined in the Members Bulletin the week of publication of the Leader's report - Group Leaders will have information sent to them direct including the relevant Council's Annex A.

2.4 Details of each Council's Outside Bodies and current appointments are set out in the relevant Annex A.

- 2.5 Members are reminded that in the Constitution, Article 2 and also Council Procedure Rule 21, they are encouraged to report back to Council on meetings of outside bodies that they attend. This report can be placed in the Members Room, on request a summary can be placed in the next edition of the Members Bulletin or if the matter is of such significance ask the Proper Officer to place an item on the agenda for an appropriate meeting. Members can also make a posting on Google Communities.

### 3.0 Outside Bodies - Appointment Details

- 3.1 Each Outside Body has specific requirements regarding their appointment(s) such as any special skills or interests required. These are set out in full in the relevant Annex A. The Leader is asked to consider each of these requirements when determining the recommended appointment(s). Further details to be taken into consideration are highlighted below and the title highlighted in red on the relevant Council's booklet where there has been no response from the organisation:

#### 3.2 Adur Outside Bodies

No. 1 4Sight - No response

No. 3 Adur Fairtrade Group - No response

No. 9 Marlipins Museum - No response

No. 15 South Downs National Park Authority - This is a joint Outside Body appointment with Worthing Borough Council. The appointment was made for four years from May 2014 by the Joint Strategic Committee. **No action required by the Leader.**

#### 3.3 Worthing Outside Bodies

No. 1 Action in Rural Sussex - No response

No. 2 Age UK West Sussex - No response

No. 4 British Destinations Association - No response

No. 5 Bognor Regis and Worthing Shopmobility - No response

No. 6 - Broadwater Community Association - No response

No. 10 East Worthing Community Association - No response

No. 14 Quality Bus Partnership - No response - as this organisation seems to be in abeyance over the last 3 years - **suggest this is removed from the list.**

No. 17 The Sidney Walter Centre - No response

No. 19 South Downs National Park Authority - This is a joint Outside Body appointment with Adur District Council. The appointment was made for four years from May 2014 by the Joint Strategic Committee. **No action required by the Leader.**

No. 23 West Sussex Forum for Accessible Transport - No response

No. 24 Worthing Access and Mobility Group - No response

No.25 Worthing Arts Council - see note on the relevant section regarding the Trust - **recommendation that this organisation is removed from the list**

No. 29 Worthing Twinning Association - No response

No. 30 Worthing Unified Bowls Tournament - No response

### **3.4 Future direction**

Member representation on Outside Bodies offers a significant and valuable opportunity to support, engage in, and add value to the work of a diverse range of groups and organisations that support our communities and the Council in achieving commonly shared goals and ambitions. In order to enhance the value of Member representation on Outside Bodies, there is an ongoing a review of support for Members on Outside Bodies within Platforms for our Places and Community Leadership.

### **4.0 Legal**

4.1 Involvement in Outside Bodies is part of the key role and duties of a District Councillor, as set out in Article 2 of the Constitution.

4.2 The terms of reference of the Leader of the Council, as set out in Part 3 of the Constitution, include the consideration of appointments to Outside Bodies under local choice functions.

### **5.0 Financial implications**

5.1 There are no financial implications resulting from this report although the member appointed may be entitled to claim some allowances under the 'Members Allowances Scheme'.

### **6.0 Conclusion**

6.1 Each Leader is asked to consider the appointment details for their Council's Outside Body appointments, as set out above and in the Annexes, and nominations received from Group Leaders and individual Councillors.

6.2 Each Leader is invited to complete the relevant information at their Annex B as a Leader Record of Decision.

### **7.0 Recommendation**

7.1 That the Leaders receive nominations from Councillors for appointment to Outside Bodies, consulting with Group Leaders and Officers on any matters of clarification.

7.2 that, having received representations from Councillors, the Leader determines his nominations to the Outside Bodies by completing Annex B into account matters raised in paragraph 3 of the report relevant to their Council .

## **Local Government Act 1972**

### **Background Papers:**

Adur District Council Constitution  
Worthing Borough Council Constitution  
Various Returns of information from Outside Bodies

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## **Schedule of other matters**

### **1.0 Council Priority**

1.1 This report relates to Platforms for our Places - Leadership of our Places.

### **2.0 Specific Action Plans**

2.1 This report does not relate to any specific Action Plans.

### **3.0 Sustainability Issues**

3.1 Matter considered and no issues identified.

### **4.0 Equality Issues**

4.1 Matter considered and no issues identified.

### **5.0 Community Safety issues (Section 17)**

5.1 Matter considered and no issues identified.

### **6.0 Human Rights Issues**

6.1 Matter considered and no issues identified.

### **7.0 Reputation**

7.1 Matter considered and no issues identified.

### **8.0 Consultations**

8.1 Consultation has been undertaken with each Outside Body organisation and with each Member of the Council, as set out in the report.

### **9.0 Risk assessment**

9.1 Matter considered and no issues identified.

### **10.0 Health & Safety Issues**

10.1 Matter considered and no issues identified.

### **11.0 Procurement Strategy**

11.1 Matter considered and no issues identified.

### **12.0 Partnership working**

12.1 The report relates to working in partnership with various local organisations.