

**Eden District Council
Council**

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Appointment to Outside Bodies

Report from:	Assistant Director Governance
Wards:	All Wards
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1 Purpose

- 1.1 To confirm the outside bodies upon which Members will sit in the forthcoming municipal year and to consider who should be appointed to represent the Council on each of these bodies.

2 Recommendation

It is recommended that:

1. The list of outside bodies set out in paragraphs 3.2, 3.4 and in Appendix 1 to the report be approved;
2. Members of the Executive be appointed to the outside bodies identified in paragraph 3.2;
3. Members give consideration to nomination of non-executive members to the bodies listed at paragraph 3.4 and Appendix 1 to this report;
4. Members give consideration to the nomination of a Member to the Multi Agency Appleby Fair Strategic Co-ordinating Group;
5. Members give consideration to the nomination of a Member to the Cumbria County Council LEP Scrutiny Board;
6. Those bodies upon which Eden District Council will represent another authority for 2019-2021 as detailed in paragraph 3.5 of the report be noted;
7. Those bodies upon which Eden District Council will be represented by another authority for 2020-2021 as detailed in paragraph 3.7 of the report be noted; and
8. Council determines if it wishes to appoint Member Champions in relation to
 - (a) Armed Forces;
 - (b) Children and Young People; and
 - (c) Older People.

3 Report Details

- 3.1 The outside bodies on which the Council has a representation are identified and confirmed annually. The list of outside body appointments is contained in

Appendix 1 to this report. Members are appointed to service on outside bodies only by full Council.

- 3.2 On occasions it is appropriate for a member of the Executive to represent the Council on an outside body, particularly if the outside body relates to an element of the individual Executive member's portfolio. It is recommended that the Executive Members identified below be appointed to the outside bodies listed below.

Outside Body	Portfolio Holder
Carlisle and Eden Community Safety Partnership	Communities
Cumbria County Superannuation Fund Forum	Resources
Cumbria Housing Group	Housing and Health
Cumbria Leadership Board	Leader
Cumbria Public Health Alliance	Housing and Health
Cumbria Strategic Waste Partnership	Services
Cumbria Tourism Executive Board	Economies and Enterprise
District Councils Network Executive	Leader
Eden Health Forum	Housing and Health
Eden Tourism Network	Economies and Enterprise
Integrated Care Community Leadership Team	Housing and Health
Joint Cumbrian Districts	Leader
Local Government Association	Leader
North West Regional Housing Forum Executive	Housing and Health
Sparsity partnership for Authorities deliver rural services (SPARSE)	Economies and Enterprise

- 3.3 There are a number of outside bodies upon which it is considered to be inappropriate for members of the Executive to the Council's representative. Council is required to make the necessary appointments to these outside bodies. It is recommended that the Councillor who is appointed should have

particular interest in, or knowledge of, the responsibilities of the outside body or be the most appropriate in terms of the Council's own office holders.

3.4 The outside bodies upon which appointments are required are listed in Appendix 1 and below:

- Alston Moor Partnership (including the Townscape Heritage Initiative Steering Group and Alston Moor Partnership) Board – 1 representative
- Cumbria County Council Scrutiny Management Board – 1 representative
- Cumbria Health Scrutiny Committee – 1 representative and 1 standing deputy
- Cumbria Local Nature Partnership – 1 representative
- Cumbria Police and Crime Panel – 1 representative
- Eden Health and Wellbeing Forum – 1 representative and 1 standing deputy. Both should be the same as the appointed representatives to the Cumbria Health Scrutiny Committee.
- Greenwich Leisure Limited Eden Board – 1 or 2 representatives (depending on the previous agenda item)
- Lake District National Park Authority (4 year term) – 1 representative
- Lake District National Park Partnership – 1 representative
- Multi Agency Appleby Fair Strategic Co-ordinating Group (MASCG) – 1 representative
- North Pennines Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Partnership – 1 representative
- (Omega Proteins Liaison Group – 3 representatives) – depending on the previous agenda item.
- Parking and Traffic Regulations Outside London Adjudication Committee – 1 representative
- Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority (4 year term) – 1 representative

3.5 Representation is shared between two alternating District Councils on a 2 year cycle for representation on the Cumbria Local Enterprise Partnership Board. Eden District Council will represent Carlisle City Council for 2019/2021.

3.6 Consideration needs to be given to a Member who will represent Eden on the Multi Agency Appleby Fair Strategic Co-ordinating Group. This appointment can either be an Executive or a non-Executive Member.

3.7 There is one district level representative on the Cumbria Health and Wellbeing Board. Carlisle City Council will act as the representative for all District Councils on this body.

3.8 Previously, the Council had appointed representatives on the Lake District National Park Authority and the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority on an annual basis. At the full Council meeting on 11 April 2019, Members approved the recommendations of the Monitoring Officer in that these appointments should be made for a four year term, to bring the Council's representation in

line with other representatives appointed to the National Park Authorities. These were appointed at the Annual Council meeting on 16 May 2019.

3.9 Council has previously appointed Member Champions and it is recommended that Council should consider whether it wishes to do so in relation to the following matter:

- Armed Forces
- Children and Young People
- Older People

3.10 The current Members' Allowance Scheme makes no provision for Member Champions to receive a Special Responsibility Allowance.

4 Policy Framework

4.1 The Council has four corporate priorities which are:

- Sustainable;
- Healthy, safe and secure;
- Connected; and
- Creative

4.2 This report meets sustainable corporate priority

5 Consultation

5.1 Officers within the Council have been consulted about the status of a number of outside bodies on the list to ensure that the bodies still exist. Members have been provided an overview to each body within their induction pack which they received at election. The appendix which identifies the outside body appointments has been sent to political group leaders so that the political groups can put forward their nominations.

6 Implications

6.1 Financial and Resources

6.1.1 Any decision to reduce or increase resources or alternatively increase income must be made within the context of the Council's stated priorities, as set out in its Council Plan 2019-2023 as agreed at Council on 7 November 2019.

6.1.2 There are no proposals in this report that would reduce or increase resources.

6.2 Legal

6.2.1 Certain outside bodies are independent legal entities for example the Lake District National Park Authority and the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority. A Member can be expected to act and should act in the best interests of a body to which they are appointed and with due regard to any of the relevant Codes of Practice which apply to such a body and taking into account the professional advice of the officers of such body.

6.3 Human Resources

6.3.1 There are no human resource implications arising from this report.

6.4 Statutory Considerations

Consideration:	Details of any implications and proposed measures to address:
Equality and Diversity	None arising from this report
Health, Social Environmental and Economic Impact	None arising from this report
Crime and Disorder	None arising from this report
Children and Safeguarding	None arising from this report

6.5 Risk Management

Risk	Consequence	Controls Required
Members will need to consider any issues that arise in relation to their appointment upon an outside body	Members will need to consider their responsibilities and duties on the outside body and clarify what insurance provisions are and will be available, if any, through the outside body	Members are generally expected to act in the best interest of the outside body when undertaking their duties. Members should seek advice in any instances of doubt or concern, either through the Council or the outside body.

7 Other Options Considered

- 7.1 No other options have been considered in relation to this report. Whilst Members could decide not to appoint to outside bodies, it would not be in the best interests of the Council to do so.

8 Reasons for the Decision/Recommendation

- 8.1 To enable appointments to be made to outside bodies.

Tracking Information

Governance Check	Date Considered
Chief Finance Officer (or Deputy)	
Monitoring Officer (or Deputy)	
Relevant Director	

Background Papers: None

Appendices: Appendix 1 – List of nominations to outside bodies

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