

Eden District Council

Council

26 May 2022

Appointments to Outside Bodies and Member Champions

Portfolio:	N/A
Report from:	Assistant Director Legal and Democratic Services
Wards:	All Wards
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1 Purpose

- 1.1 To approve the list of Outside Bodies for the municipal year 2022/2023 and which Members should be appointed to represent the Council on each of the listed bodies.

2 Recommendations

It is recommended that:

1. The list of outside bodies set out in paragraphs 3.2 and 3.6 in the report be approved;
2. Members of the Cabinet be appointed to the outside bodies identified in paragraph 3.2;
3. Members give consideration to the nomination of non-Cabinet Members to the bodies listed at paragraph 3.6 of this report;
4. Members note the requirement to provide a summary note for outside body meetings attended as previously agreed by Council for any outside bodies they may be appointed to;
5. Those bodies upon which Eden District Council will be represented by another body for **2021/2023** as detailed at paragraph 3.7 of the report be noted and consideration be given to appointing an observer; and
6. Council determines if it wishes to appoint Member Champions in relation to:
 - (a) the Armed Forces;
 - (b) Children and Young People;
 - (c) Older People; and
 - (d) Homelessness

3 Report Details

- 3.1 The outside bodies on which the Council has representation are identified and confirmed annually. Members are appointed to serve on outside bodies only by full Council.

- 3.2 There are a number of outside bodies where it is appropriate for Members of the Cabinet to represent the Council, particularly if the body represents part of the Cabinet Member's portfolio. It is therefore recommended that the relevant portfolio holders identified in the following table be appointed to the outside bodies listed as follows:

Outside Body	Portfolio Holder
North Cumbria 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	Leader
Eden Health Forum	Housing and Health
Eden Tourism Network	Economies and Enterprise
Cumbria Joint Districts	Leader
Local Government Association	Leader
North West Housing Forum	Housing and Health
North West Employers	Resources
Sparsity Partnership for Authorities deliver rural services (SPARSE)	Economies and Enterprise
UK100 Countryside Climate Network	Leader

- 3.3 The appointment of representatives to the Lake District National Park Authority and the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority are for a four year term. The most recent appointments took place at the Annual Council meeting on 16 May 2019; the current representatives will therefore remain incumbent for the duration of their term:

Outside Body	Membership
Lake District National Park Authority (4 year term)	Councillor Judith Derbyshire - Dacre
Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority (4 year term)	Councillor Sandy Lancaster – Kirkby Stephen

- 3.4 There are a number of outside bodies upon which it is considered appropriate for Non-Cabinet to be the Council's representative. Council is required to make the necessary appointments.
- 3.5 It is recommended that the Member who is appointed as the representative should have a particular interest in, or possess knowledge of the responsibilities of the outside body.
- 3.6 The outside bodies upon which Member appointments are required are listed below:

Outside Body	Membership
Alston Moor Partnership (including the Townscape Heritage Initiative Steering Group and Alston Moor Partnership) Board	1 representative. This representative should be from within the Alston ward.
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. These representatives should be the same as those appointed to the Cumbria Health Scrutiny Committee.
Greenwich Leisure Limited Eden Board	1 representative.
Lake District National Park Partnership	1 representative.
Multi Agency Appleby Fair Strategic Co-ordinating Group (MASCG)	1 representative and 1 standing deputy.

Outside Body	Membership
	Each representative should be from wards affected by the Appleby Fair.
North Pennines Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty Partnership	1 representative.
Parking and Traffic Regulations Outside London Adjudication Committee	1 representative.

- 3.7 Representation on the Cumbria Local Enterprise Partnership Board (CLEPB) is shared between two alternating District Councils for a 2 year cycle. Carlisle City Council will continue to represent Eden District Council for the remainder of the 2021 – 2023 cycle. Eden District Council is able to attend the board meetings as an observer during this period.
- 3.8 There is one District level representative on the Cumbria Health and Wellbeing Board for all of the six District Councils; this representative is determined by the Cumbria Joint Districts.
- 3.9 Members appointed to represent the Council on Outside Bodies are required to produce a summary note for the meetings that they attend. The summary note is the responsibility of the Member concerned and must be approved by their respective outside body before being provided to Member Services for publication on the Council’s website.
- 3.10 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:
- the Armed Forces
 - Children and Young People
 - Older People
 - Homelessness
- 3.11 The current Member’s 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 the sustainable corporate priority.

5 Consultation

- 5.1 Relevant authorities have been consulted about the status of a number of outside bodies on this list to ensure that the bodies are existent. The outside bodies list has been sent to political group leaders so that 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.

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 the 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 Environmental

- 6.4.1 There are no environmental implications arising from this report.

6.5 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

6.6 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	Members should regularly report on their attendance and any matters which may impact on the Council's

Risk	Consequence	Controls Required
	are and will be available, if any, through the outside body	work in the prescribed format

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)	18/05/22
Monitoring Officer (or Deputy)	Report Author
Relevant Assistant Director	N/A

Background Papers: None

Appendices: Appendix 1 – List of nominations to outside bodies – To Follow

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