

REPRESENTATION ON EXTERNAL BODIES

Head of Service:	Kathryn Beldon, Chief Executive
Wards affected:	(All Wards);
Appendices (attached):	Appendix 1 - Schedule of existing and recommended appointments to External Bodies, Officer/Member Working Groups and Inter-Authority Partnerships & Champions

Summary

This report seeks appointments to representation on external bodies.

Recommendation (s)

The Council is asked to:

- (1) **Appoint representatives to**
 - (i) **the external bodies**
 - (ii) **inter authority partnerships****listed in Appendix 1;**
- (2) **Appoint the Member Champions listed in Appendix 1 ;**
- (3) **Recommend the nominations of Borough Councillors as substitutes to the Epsom and Ewell Local Committee listed in Appendix 1;**
- (4) **Note the Officer/Member Working Groups appointed by Committees.**

1 Reason for Recommendation

- 1.1 Full Council Procedure Rule 2.1 sets out that the Council will appoint representatives to external bodies at its Annual Meeting.

2 Background

- 2.1 The Council is asked to approve the appointments and nominations to external bodies as set out in Appendix 1.

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3 Substitute Members on Surrey County Council's Local Committee

- 3.1 The appointment of Council's nominated substitutes to the Local Committee is dependent on the Local Committee agreeing to such appointments. The first meeting of the Local Committee is after the Annual meeting of this Council, hence the need to put approve nominated substitutes.

4 Member Champions

- 4.1 At its discretion, Council may from time to time designate Champions from amongst its Members to explore and represent the interests of specific issues and groups. Their role and function is set out in Article 17, Part 2 of the Constitution. It is proposed to appoint Champions as set out in Appendix 1.

5 Officer/Member Working Groups and Inter-Authority Partnerships

- 5.1 There are a number of Officer/Member Working Groups that have been established by Committees of this Council. The Council is also a party to a number of inter-authority partnerships. These are set out in Appendix 1.

6 Outside Bodies

- 6.1 The Council also nominates Members to a number of external bodies, these are set out in Appendix 1.

6 Risk Assessment

Legal or other duties

- 6.1 Impact Assessment

6.1.1 None.

- 6.2 Crime & Disorder

6.2.1 None.

- 6.3 Safeguarding

6.3.1 None.

- 6.4 Dependencies

6.4.1 None.

- 6.5 Other

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6.5.1 There are risks for individuals depending on the nature of the appointment being sought. For example, where Members are asked to become trustees of a charity, they need to ensure that they understand the personal duties that trustees owe to the charity concerned.

6.5.2 Any Members unsure of their status and obligations should ask the outside body for information and advice and/or seek advice from the Council's Chief Legal Officer.

7 Financial Implications

7.1 None arising from the contents of this report.

7.2 **Section 151 Officer's comments:** None arising from the contents of this report.

8 Legal Implications

8.1 None arising from the contents of this report.

8.2 **Monitoring Officer's comments:** None arising from the contents of this report.

9 Policies, Plans & Partnerships

9.1 **Council's Key Priorities:** The following Key Priorities are engaged: Effective Council.

9.2 **Service Plans:** The matter is not included within the current Service Delivery Plan.

9.3 **Climate & Environmental Impact of recommendations:** None.

9.4 **Sustainability Policy & Community Safety Implications:** None.

9.5 **Partnerships:** The Council works in a number of different ways with a number of outside bodies, who undertake a wide range of activities for the benefit of the Borough and its residents and businesses. Active and engaged representatives appointed by the Council can help to build and sustain good relationships, and further that good work.

10 Background papers

10.1 The documents referred to in compiling this report are as follows:

Previous reports:

- Representation on External Bodies and Nominations to Surrey Leaders' Group to Represent the District/Boroughs on Outside Bodies.

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Other papers:

- None