

ANNUAL COUNCIL

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APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

Report of the Strategic Director for Legal and Governance

Strategic Aim:	A modern and effective Council	
Exempt Information	No	
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DECISION RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council:

1. Approves the appointments of Members to Outside Organisations as listed in Appendix A (Final Appendix to follow).
2. Notes that appointment of Member Champions will be made by the Leader following Annual Council, and the appointed Members will be automatically appointed to the relevant outside organisations.

1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To seek Council approval for the appointment of elected members as the Council's representatives on a number of bodies.

2 BACKGROUND AND MAIN CONSIDERATIONS

- 2.1 The Council is required at Annual Council to appoint Members as it's representatives on external organisations, and to Council-operated bodies that are not formal committees. Further information on bodies can be found on the Council's website: <https://rutlandcounty.moderngov.co.uk/mgListOutsideBodies.aspx?bcr=1>
- 2.2 The Council's Democratic Services Team wrote to all existing bodies between January and March 2023 to ensure contact and other details remained accurate, and whether Member representation was still required.
- 2.3 One organisation failed to respond to the initial letter and several reminders, this

body has therefore been removed from the list of nominations for 2023-24.

3 APPOINTMENTS

3.1 The full list of bodies to be appointed to can be found at **Appendix A**. An updated Appendix with nominations from Group Leaders will be circulated as an additional document prior to Council.

3.2 Some representatives are allocated based on their roles rather than to individual Members, and these appointments are already indicated in Appendix A. Several of these role-based appointments are specified in the terms of reference or constitutions of the bodies in question.

4 MEMBER CHAMPIONS

4.1 There are several proposed nominations that are to be taken by either the Armed Forces Champion or the Champion for Looked After Children.

4.2 These Member Champions are unremunerated roles and are appointed by the Leader of the Council, once appointed the details will be communicated to Members and listed on the Council's website. Council is asked to note these arrangements.

5 CONSULTATION

5.1 All existing organisations were written to in 2023 to allow them to confirm contact and other details remained accurate, and whether Member representation was still required.

5.2 Nominations will be sought from Group Leaders and shared with Members through an updated Appendix.

6 ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

6.1 Council could choose not to appoint to organisations listed but this is not recommended as all bodies listed have confirmed a wish for Member representation many of these bodies play an important role within the county and to not appoint a representative could negatively impact the Council's relations with those bodies.

6.2 Amendments, revocations, or additional appointments may be made throughout the municipal year if required.

7 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from the report.

7.2 Under the adopted Allowances Scheme Members are entitled to claim reimbursement of travel and subsistence expenses when attending a meeting of a body to which they have been appointed by Council. This is budgeted for within the Member Services budget.

7.3 If the external organisation will pay travel and/or subsistence costs, then the appointed Councillor should claim against that organisation and cannot claim from the Council.

8 LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE CONSIDERATIONS

8.1 The Council is required to make appointments to external bodies at the Annual Meeting of Council.

8.2 The membership of many bodies is determined by their own constitutions or terms of reference, and the type of body that they are and may therefore require certain position-holders to be appointed, such as Ward Members or relevant Portfolio Holders.

9 DATA PROTECTION IMPLICATIONS

9.1 A Data Protection Impact Assessments (DPIA) has not been completed because no personal data has been processed in the compilation of the report.

10 EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

10.1 An Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) has not been completed for the following reasons because there are no service, policy or organisational changes being proposed

11 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

11.1 There are no community safety implications arising from the report.

12 HEALTH AND WELLBEING IMPLICATIONS

12.1 There are no health or wellbeing implications arising from the report.

13 ORGANISATIONAL IMPLICATIONS

13.1 There are no direct organisational implications arising from the report.

14 CONCLUSION AND SUMMARY OF REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

14.1 Council is recommended to appoint Members to the bodies detailed in Appendix A when updated in order to ensure the Council continues to be represented on these organisations

15 BACKGROUND PAPERS

15.1 Information on Outside Organisations:
<https://rutlandcounty.moderngov.co.uk/mgListOutsideBodies.aspx?bcr=1>

16 APPENDICES

16.1 Appendix A – Proposed Appointments to Outside Bodies, Working Groups and Fora for 2023/24 (Updated Appendix to follow)

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