

**ANNUAL COUNCIL
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***PART 1 – PUBLIC DOCUMENT**

TITLE OF REPORT: NOMINATION OF REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS AND OTHER BODIES FOR 2022/23

REPORT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SERVICES MANAGER

COUNCIL PRIORITY: PEOPLE FIRST / SUSTAINABILITY / A BRIGHTER FUTURE TOGETHER

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 The purpose of this report is to present a list setting out the nomination of representatives on Outside Organisations and Other Bodies for 2022/23.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That the list of nominations of representatives on Outside Organisations and Other Bodies for 2022/23, as set out in Appendix A to the report be approved.

2.2 That Political Group Leaders notify the Democratic Services Manager of nominations to the remaining vacancies or any changes to the existing representatives on outside organisations.

3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 To comply with the provisions of Standing Order 4.8.1(b)(iv) and (v) of the Council's Constitution.

4. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

4.1 None.

5. CONSULTATION WITH RELEVANT MEMBERS AND EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS

5.1 The Leaders of the Political Groups have been consulted regarding the nomination of representatives on Outside Organisations and Other Bodies for 2022/23.

6. FORWARD PLAN

- 6.1 This report does not contain a recommendation on a key decision and has not been referred to in the Forward Plan.

7. BACKGROUND

- 7.1 Standing Order 4.8.1(b)(iv) of the Council's Constitution states that at the Annual Meeting, the Council will

“receive nominations of Councillors to serve on each Committee and outside body”.

- 7.2 Standing Order 4.8.1(b)(v) states that at the Annual Meeting, the Council will also

“make appointments to those Committees and nominations to outside bodies, except where nomination to those bodies has been delegated by the Council or is exercisable by the Cabinet”.

8. RELEVANT CONSIDERATIONS

- 8.1 A light touch review was carried out last year and due to a reduction in staff numbers and the need to meet core service delivery requirements within the Democratic Services Team the annual review of outside body appointments was not conducted this year.

- 8.2 Group Leaders have been advised of this and were asked to consider the nominations as approved for 2021/22 and propose any alterations they felt necessary.

- 8.3 We have been advised that the Council should appoint a representative to the Parking and Traffic Regulations Outside London (PATROL) Adjudication Joint Committee. This body was established to enable Councils undertaking civil parking enforcement in England and Wales and civil bus lane and moving traffic enforcement in Wales to exercise their functions under relevant legislation. Although there are no specific requirements for nominees except for being a Councillor, they generally have an involvement in transport or environmental matters.

- 8.4 Whilst we continue to appoint to the Bedfordshire and River Ivel Internal Drainage Board (IDB), we have been informed of a proposed amalgamation of the Bedfordshire and River Ivel IDB with the Buckingham and River Ouzel IDB and the Alconbury and Ellington IDB which may impact on the Council's future representation on this board.

- 8.3 Appendix A to the report sets out the nomination of representatives to Outside Organisations and Other Bodies for 2022/23.

9. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 The legal and constitutional requirements are set out in the main body of this report.

9.2 It is a constitutional requirement to review the appointments to outside organisations at the Annual Meeting.

9.3 Appointments are made by the Council in the interests of openness and transparency.

10. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

11. RISK IMPLICATIONS

11.1 There are no direct risk implications arising from this report.

12. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

12.1 In line with the Public Sector Equality Duty, public bodies must, in the exercise of their functions, give due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation, to advance equality of opportunity and foster good relations between those who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

12.2 There are no direct equalities implications arising from this report. However, equalities implications from the individual recommendations will continue to be considered and assessed during the decision-making process.

13. SOCIAL VALUE IMPLICATIONS

13.1 The Social Value Act and “go local” policy do not apply to this report.

14. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

14.1. There are no known Environmental impacts or requirements that apply to this report.

15. HUMAN RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

15.1 There are no human resource implications.

16. APPENDICES

16.1 Appendix A – Nomination of Representatives on Outside Organisations and Other Bodies for 2023/23. (Appendix A will be circulated separately).

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18. BACKGROUND PAPERS

18.1 None.