



SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Thursday 25 July 2019

APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES FOR 2019/20 (SCRUTINY FUNCTIONS)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider the appointments to Outside Bodies (Executive) for the 2019/20 Municipal Year, as outlined at Appendix A of this report.

Is the report Open or Exempt?	Open
Wards Affected:	Some Outside Body appointments are of a strategic nature, whilst others are directly related to a particular area or Ward.
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1 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Council, at its meeting on 22 May 2019, considered representation on Outside Bodies and decided that the Scrutiny Committee would collectively appoint to the two Outside Bodies shown at Appendix A to this report.
- 1.2 The appointment of Councillors to Outside Bodies provides support to the organisation concerned, enables Councillors to fulfil their community leadership roles, and enables appropriate monitoring of performance/budgets in line with best practice.
- 1.3 Appointments made to Outside Bodies should be sensitive to the need to represent, as far as possible, the diverse nature of the local community.

2 HOW DOES THIS RELATE TO THE EAST SUFFOLK BUSINESS PLAN?

- 2.1 Councillors appointed to Outside Bodies are able to work with and alongside local communities, helping to empower them in terms of addressing local issues to achieve sustainable solutions.
- 2.2 Councillors appointed to Outside Bodies will also work with local communities to deliver a strong and sustainable local economy and help them to feel engaged, valued, and empowered to improve the quality of life for everyone living and working in the District.

3 FINANCIAL AND GOVERNANCE IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 Those Councillors formally appointed to external organisations as the Council's representative can claim expenses in accordance with the Members' Allowance Scheme. These costs can be met from existing resources.
- 3.2 Councillors appointed to Outside Bodies have the opportunity to positively impact on the effectiveness of the organisation and the wider community.
- 3.3 Appointments to Outside Bodies may be made under the general power in Section 2 of the Local Government Act 2000 – to do anything which is likely to promote the economic, social, or environmental wellbeing of the area, unless specifically prohibited.
- 3.4 Details of the Council's representation on Outside Bodies are included on the Council's website.

4 OTHER KEY ISSUES

- 4.1 None. The Council needs to appoint to Outside Bodies in order to carry out its business effectively and enables Members the opportunity to carry out their community leadership role.

5 CONSULTATION

- 5.1 Key partners have been consulted where appropriate.

6 OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 6.1 None – the Council needs to engage and work with external organisations, including the Outside Bodies listed at Appendix A, to continue to deliver the priorities identified in the East Suffolk Business Plan.

7 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 7.1 To consider appropriate representation on Outside Bodies as deemed relevant to the Council's community and business interests.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That Councillors be appointed to those Outside Bodies outlined in Appendix A for the 2019/20 Municipal Year.
2. That, unless otherwise stated, the Leader of the Council be authorised to fill any outstanding vacancies left unfilled by the Scrutiny Committee and that arise throughout the 2019/20 Municipal Year.

APPENDICES

Appendix A	List of Outside Bodies for 2019/20 (Scrutiny Functions)
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BACKGROUND PAPERS – None.

