

REPORT TO COUNCIL

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Financial Implications NO	Policy/Personnel Implications NO	Statutory Implications (incl S.17) NO	Equalities Impact Assessment NO	Risk Management Implications NO

Date of Meeting: 9th September 2021

APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES, PARTNERSHIPS AND INTERNAL DRAINAGE BOARDS

Purpose of Report

The report seeks the appointment of representatives to serve on outside bodies and Internal Drainage Boards. The majority of appointments were made at the Council meeting on 8th July 2021. This report deals with the vacancies that were not filled at that meeting.

Recommendation

That the Council appoints representatives to serve on the outside bodies and Internal Drainage Boards listed within the report.

Reason for decision

To ensure continued involvement in the community by the Council.

1.0 BACKGROUND

- 1.1 The Council at its meeting on 8th July confirmed a number of appointments to outside bodies and partnerships.
- 1.2 Several vacancies remained after the meeting and this report deals with those vacancies.

2.0 INSURANCE COVER FOR BOROUGH COUNCILLORS

- 2.1 The Council's insurance will indemnify any employee or member arising from their service on the board or participation in the capacity of governor, officer, trustee, director, committee member or other official of any not-for profit entity other than the insured.

Provided always that:

- a) The service or participation by the employee or member is specifically requested by or under the specific direction of the insured.
- b) The insured is legally entitled to approve the service or participation and to indemnify the employee of member in respect of it.
- c) Any payment will only be made by the insurer for an amount in excess of any indemnification or insurance coverage provided by the not-for-profit entity or afforded from any other source and to which the employee or member is entitled.

2.2 When a member is appointed to serve on an outside body, they should also ensure that as well as completing the Register of Financial and Other Interest form, they should complete the annual "Related Party Transactions form", with the details of those bodies on which they serve.

3.0 FEEDBACK FROM MEMBERS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

3.1 Arrangements for reporting back by Members serving on Outside Bodies are approved every year at Council as follows:

3.2 The Panels should be able to request reports from Councillors serving on outside bodies which fall within their remit. By programming the reports over the Panel's annual timetable of meetings, it would be possible for members both to assess the usefulness of making appointments to bodies and be informed of any relevant matters.

3.3 Cabinet Members serving on outside bodies will report via their Cabinet Members' reports to Council.

3.4 It is not intended that reports would be required from Councillors serving on bodies local to their wards. All would be encouraged, however to use the Members' Bulletin to report on the work of any such organisation.

4.0 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES

Council are invited to appoint representatives to serve on the bodies listed in the table below.

Name of Body	Number of vacancies/nominations received in advance of the Meeting	Number of representatives	Current representatives
Southery and District Internal Drainage Board	1 vacancy following the resignation of Councillor Ryves	8	A Bullen, A Holmes, M Storey, D Whitby. M Peake, A White and C Cock (non-cncl)

Stoke Ferry Internal Drainage Board	1 vacancy following the resignation of Councillor Ryves.	9	A Bullen, C J Crofts, A Holmes, C Sampson, D Tyler, D Whitby. A White and R Lankfer (non-cncl)
Gaywood Allotment Trust	1 vacancy Councillor Wilkinson nominated by her Group.	4	Current reps are S Collop, J Lowe and S Young (NCC)
Safer Neighbourhood Action Panel – Downham Market	1 vacancy for Chair	2 – Chair and Vice Chair	Current Vice Chair is Councillor Howland.
William Cleave Educational Foundation	1 vacancy	2	Cllr Bambridge.

5.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Mileage and subsistence allowances for Councillors attending meetings.

6.0 ACCESS TO INFORMATION

Current lists of member representation
ACSeS report on liabilities of Outside Bodies

