

Melksham Area Board 20 May 2013

# Appointments to Outside Bodies, and Constitution of and Appointments to Working Groups 2013/14

#### 1. Purpose of the Report

1.1. To appoint representatives to Outside Bodies, and to reconstitute and appoint to Working Groups for the year 2013/14.

#### 2. Background

- 2.1. The Area Board is invited to appoint Councillor representatives to the Outside Bodies listed at Appendix A. These appointments will continue for the duration of Councillors' terms of office, unless the Board determines otherwise.
- 2.2. Similarly, the Area Board is invited to reconstitute the Working Groups set out at Appendix B, with the Terms of Reference set out at Appendix C, and to make appointments to these groups. These appointments are for 2013/14.

#### 3. Main Considerations

- 3.1. In 20010, all Area Boards appointed Community Area Transport Groups (CATGs), which operated as informal working groups making recommendations to the Area Board for approval. Terms of reference are set out at Appendix C. It should be noted that the establishment of the CATGs, along with the delegation of the relevant budget to Area Boards, was a delegation of authority from the Cabinet Member for Highways, and so the Terms of Reference for these cannot be amended.
- 3.2. Some Area Boards also established Shadow Community Operations Boards to discuss and facilitate the development of Campus proposals. Similarly, these Groups were established as part of the Council's corporate programme for Campuses, and so the Terms of Reference cannot be amended.
- 3.3. Some Area Boards have established other Working Groups to consider and address local issues. Where these have Terms of Reference, this is for the Area Board to determine and amend where required.

#### 4. Financial and Resource Implications

4.1. None.

#### 5. <u>Legal Implications</u>

- 5.1. Some appointments carry responsibilities and duties, for example, those which involve becoming a trustee. Councillors are advised to seek advice on individual appointments if required.
- 5.2. <u>Protocol 3</u> in the Council's <u>Constitution</u> sets out Guidance to Members on Outside Bodies.

#### 6. <u>Environmental Impact of the Proposals</u>

6.1. None.

### 7. Equality and Diversity Implications

7.1. None.

## 8. Delegation

- 8.1. Under Wiltshire Council's constitution (Part 4, paragraph 5), appointments to Outside Bodies will be made by the Leader of the Council, Cabinet, Area Boards or a meeting of group leaders, as appropriate. By convention, appointments to Outside Bodies which operate within the boundary of a community area are made by the relevant Area Board.
- 8.2. The appointment of Councillors and other representatives to working groups operating under the Area Board is a matter for the Area Board to determine.

#### 9. Recommendation

- 9.1. The Area Board is requested to:
  - a. appoint Councillor representatives to Outside Bodies as set out at Appendix A.
  - b. agree to reconstitute and appoint to the Working Group(s) as set out at appendix B.
  - c. note the Terms of Reference for the Working Group(s), as set out at Appendix C.

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# Appendices:

Appendix A – list of appointments to Outside Bodies Appendix B – list of appointments to Working Group(s)

Appendix C – Terms of Reference for Working Group(s)

Unpublished background documents relied upon in the preparation of this report

None.