

Shadow Community Operations Board – selection of membership by Area Board

Background

At their meeting on the 4th of July, following a presentation by Lucy Murray Brown, Warminster Area Board members resolved to establish a Shadow Campus Operations Board. The Area Board also invited expressions of interest from the representatives of:

- Town & Parish Councils.
- Education & Young people.
- User & community groups.
- The wider community.

The deadline for receipt of expressions of interest by Wiltshire Council was set at 27 August 2013.

The Area Board resolved that Cllr Keith Humphries is appointed as the elected Wiltshire Councillor representing the Area Board on the Shadow Campus Operations Board.

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Following the closure of the expression of interest window, the Area Board are asked to consider the expressions of interest which have been received, and to look to appoint the group in line with the terms of reference of the Shadow Community Operations Board (appendix A).

There may be some things that Area Board Members may wish to consider when looking at the expressions of interest. These are not intended to make a matrix for selection, just simply a list of some questions and/or criteria (of course this could be inexhaustible) so that Members can be sure all applications are considered on the same basis.

- Leadership – effective community leadership and engagement which could take the form of those who either are or consider themselves to be strategic leaders as opposed to operational leaders
- Representation – ability to represent the wider views and needs of the identified/relevant sector (especially including minority and vulnerable groups) of the community area
- Skills – the need to have an appropriate and representative skills set across the Shadow COB
- Context/background – does the group or sector that the applicant wishes to represent cover a significantly large part of the community or possibly a targeted group the Area Board would like to engage with?
- Consultation – is there evidence or a known evidence of an ability to coordinate some form of consultative process
- Conflict of interests – realistically some applicants will inevitably represent or be involved in other organisations, groups, interests etc. Consideration to whether these other interests make inclusion on the Shadow COB challenging for them as individuals may need to be given

- Enthusiasm and drive for success – in some cases, individuals within the community may demonstrate a considerable passion for working with others to create a successful and sustainable campus facility

It is important to make clear that the selection of the membership of the Warminster Shadow COB is entirely a Member decision and whilst the points noted above may be areas that Members wish to consider, they may wish to and are free to disregard these points.

Summary

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Background Papers

- Shadow Community Operations Board Terms of Reference v4
- 4th July 2013 Warminster Area Board paper and appendices