

Melksham Area Board 06 June 2012

Appointments to Outside Bodies and working groups 2012/13

1. Purpose of the Report

1.1. To note the appointments to Outside Bodies and Working Groups as set out at Appendix A, which will continue for the forthcoming year 2012/13, unless the Board wishes to make any changes.

2. Background

- 2.1. The Area Board appointed to Outside Bodies at its inaugural meeting in 2009. These appointments will continue for the duration of Councillors' current terms of office, unless the Board determines otherwise.
- 2.2. Similarly, other appointments have been made to Working Groups, such as the Community Area Transport Group (CATG). These appointments will also continue until 2013.

3. <u>Main Considerations</u>

- 3.1. All Area Boards have appointed Community Area Transport Groups (CATGs), which operate 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 have also established Shadow Community Operations Boards to discuss and facilitate the development of Campus proposals. Similarly, these Groups have been 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 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. note the appointments to Outside Bodies as set out at Appendix A, and to agree any changes required.
 - b. agree to reconstitute the Working Group(s), and to agree to re-appoint to 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.