


Agenda Item No:	12	
Committee:	Cabinet	
Date:	20 June 2019	
Report Title:	Appointments to Outside Bodies 2019/20	

1 Purpose / Summary

The purpose of this report is to enable Cabinet to review and agree the list of outside bodies and nominations for representatives on those organisations for 2019/20.

2 Key issues

- The nomination and review of representatives on outside body organisations is the responsibility of Cabinet.
- In addition to attending Council meetings and other constituency work, Councillors are required to sit as representatives of the Council on other organisations and agencies known as Outside Bodies
- An "Outside Body" is an organisation that has a separate governance structure to that of the Council
- The Council appoints elected members to represent it on a range of Outside Bodies at a national and local level. Such appointments ensure that the Council's and residents interests are represented within key agencies
- The Council recognises the value outside organisations make to the wider community and in the achievement of the Council's corporate priorities.
- The rules relating to political proportionality in relation to the membership of committees are set out in The Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the supporting regulations. It is best practice to reflect these rules when allocating places on outside body organisations.

3 Recommendations

- For Cabinet to agree the proposed nominations in respect of Outside Bodies which require Fenland District Council representation
- For Cabinet to note where requirements to provide representatives on outside organisations cannot currently be fulfilled.
- For Cabinet to agree the addition of a number of organisations which require representation.
- For Cabinet to delegate to the Corporate Director and Monitoring Officer in consultation with the Leader of the Council and Group Leaders the addition or deletion of outside bodies as the need arises during the municipal year and appointment of Members to vacancies on outside bodies during the municipal year.

Wards Affected	All
Forward Plan Reference	
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Background Paper(s)	<p>Outside Bodies Review Scoping Report Overview and Scrutiny Outside Bodies Review Report Outside Bodies Cabinet Report (2)</p>

OUTSIDE BODY NOMINATIONS

4 Background / introduction

- 4.1 Cabinet have endorsed that Outside Bodies should fall into one of the following criteria in order to receive representation from the District Council.
- Statutory Outside Bodies
 - Organisation to which the District Council contributes funding - To ensure public money is used properly and achieves value for money
 - Organisation which have a clear link to key objectives outlined in the Business Plan
- 4.2 Political proportionality rules are applied to outside bodies as best practice by the Council. It should be noted that political groups can appoint members who are not aligned to a political group, or indeed aligned to another group, to seats allocated to them under the political proportionality rules.
- 4.3 It is envisaged that the process of nominating and reviewing representatives on Outside Bodies will occur at the start of the municipal year unless in exceptional circumstances.
- 4.4 The table contained within Appendix A outlines the Outside Bodies currently requiring representation, the level of required representation and any proposed new appointments, which Cabinet are asked to endorse, in addition to highlighting where vacancies exist.
- 4.5 Whilst expressions of interest have been proactively sought from all members of the district council resulting in a considerable reduction in the number of unfilled vacancies, there continues to be a number of opportunities for representation which will remain vacant. Cabinet are asked to note these at this time and consider nominations for these vacancies as and when they come forward in the future. Vacancies will continue to exist in the following Outside Organisations; Feldale Internal Drainage Board; Hundred of Wisbech Internal Drainage Board, Kings Lynn Internal Drainage Board; Manea and Welney Drainage Commissioners, March West and White Fen Internal Drainage Board; March East Internal Drainage Board; March Education Foundation, March Fifth Drainage Board, March Sixth Drainage Board; March Third Internal Drainage Board; Needham and Laddus Internal Drainage Board, Nightlayers Internal Drainage Board; Rural Cambs CAB, Upwell Internal Drainage Board; Waldersey Internal Drainage Board, Warboys, Somersham and Pidley Internal Drainage Board.
- 4.6 There are a number of Outside Organisations which no longer require representation at this time including the following
Cambridgeshire Council for Voluntary Services
Fenland Strategic Partnership
WisARD
- The proposed changes will increase the number of outside organisations requiring representation to 51.
- 4.8 During the review of Outside Bodies, O&S recommended the use of a feedback form which is contained at appendix B.

APPENDIX A

Ref No	Outside Body	Number of representatives required 2019/20	To Be Nominated Representatives 2019/20	Proportionality
1	Anglia Revenue Partnership	1 + 2 substitutes	Cllr Jan French Substitute members Cllr Connor Cllr Kim French	Conservative party representation
2	Benwick Internal Drainage Board (IDB)	4	Cllr Laws Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Wicks	3 Conservatives 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
3	Cambridgeshire Horizons Board	1	Cllr Boden	Conservative party representation
4	Cambridgeshire Military Community Covenant Board	1	Cllr Tierney	Conservative party representation
5	Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Panel	1 + 1 substitute	Cllr Wallwork Substitute member Cllr Lynn	Conservative party representation
6	Cambridgeshire Health and Wellbeing Board + District Lead Members Group	1	Cllr Wallwork	Conservative party representation
7	Chatteris Community Centre Association	2	Cllr Murphy Cllr Divine	1 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)

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8	College of West Anglia Governing Body	1	Cllr Topgood	Conservative party representation
9	Community Learning and Skills Partnership	1	Cllr Benney	Conservative party representation
10	Curf and Wimblington Combined IDB	1	Cllr Davis	Conservative party representation
11	East Cambs and Fenland Children's and Young Peoples Partnership	1	Cllr Wallwork	Conservative party representation
12	Feldale IDB	7	Cllr Laws Cllr Boden Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Mrs Mayor 1 vacancy	5 Conservatives 2 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
13	Fenland Association of Community Transport	1	Cllr Seaton	Conservative party representation
14	Fenland Diverse Communities Forum	1	Cllr Tierney	Conservative party representation
15	Fenland Tension Monitoring Group	1	Cllr Hoy	Conservative party representation
16	Fenland Transport and Access Partnership	1	Cllr Topgood	Conservative party representation
17	Fenland Transport Strategy	2	Cllr Seaton Cllr Booth	1 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)

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18	Fenland Twinning Association	4	Cllr Hay Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Topgood Cllr Meekins	3 Conservatives 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Demicrats)
19	Hanson, Fletton Brickworks Industry	1	Cllr Boden	Conservative party representation
20	Health Committee	1 + 1 substitute	Cllr Bristow Substitute member Cllr Topgood	Conservative party representation
21	Hundred of Wisbech IDB	15	Cllr Topgood Cllr Wallwork Cllr Lynn Cllr Hoy 6 vacancies Cllr Sutton Cllr Meekins Cllr Booth Cllr Bligh Cllr Tanfield	10 Conservatives 5 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
22	Kings Lynn IDB	1	1 vacancy	Conservative party representation
23	LGA/ LGA Rural Commission/ LGA Urban Commission	1 + 1 Substitute	Cllr Boden Substitute member Cllr Tierney	Conservative party representation

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24	Manea and Welney Drainage Commissioners	2	1 vacancy Cllr Marks	1 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
25	March Area Transport Study	2	Cllr Count Cllr Cornwell	1 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
26	March West and White Fen Internal Drainage Board (Previously known as March and Whittlesey IDB)	6	4 vacancies Cllr Cornwell Cllr Wicks	4 Conservative 2 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
27	March East IDB	11	Cllr Purser Cllr Clark Cllr Topgood 5 vacancies Cllr Cornwell Cllr Marks Cllr Yeulett	7 Conservative 4 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
28	March Education Foundation	1	1 vacancy	Conservative party representation
29	March Fifth District Drainage Commissioners	6	5 vacancies Cllr Cornwell	4 Conservative 2 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
30	March Sixth District Drainage	4	3 vacancies	3 Conservative

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	Commissioners		Cllr Cornwell	1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
31	March Third IDB	8	6 vacancies Cllr Marks Cllr Cornwell	5 Conservative 3 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
32	Middle Level Commissioners	3	Cllr Laws Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Sutton	2 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
33	Needham and Laddus IDB	1	1 vacancy	Conservative party representation
34	Nightlayer IDB	10	Cllr Benney Cllr Murphy Cllr Divine 7 vacancies	7 Conservative 3 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
35	North Level District IDB	7	Cllr Humphrey Cllr Sam Clark Cllr Laws Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Booth Cllr Meekins	5 Conservative 2 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)

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36	Wisbech Community Development Trust (Oasis Village Centre)	1	Cllr Rackley	Conservative party representation
37	Ransonmoor District Drainage Commissioners	2	Cllr Connor Cllr Wicks	1 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
38	RECAP	1	Cllr Murphy	Conservative party representation
39	Rural Cambs CAB	3	Cllr Miscandlon 1 vacancy Cllr Booth	2 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
40	Safer Fenland Partnership	1	Cllr Mrs Mayor	Conservative party representation
41	The Wash and North Norfolk Marine Partnership	1	Cllr Rackley	Conservative party representation
42	The Combined Authority	1 + 1 Substitute	Cllr Boden Substitute member Cllr Jan French	Conservative party representation
43	The Combined Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee	2 + 1 Substitute	Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Hay Substitute member Cllr Tierney	Conservative party representation
44	The Combined Authority Audit	1 + 1 Substitute	Cllr Benney	Conservative party

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	Committee		Substitute member Cllr Hoy	representation
45	Upwell IDB	2	1 vacancy Cllr Sutton	1 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
46	Waldersey IDB	2	1 vacancy Cllr Sutton	1 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
47	Warboys, Somersham and Pidley IDB	1	1 vacancy	Conservative party representation
48	Whittlesey & District IDB	5	Cllr Mason Cllr Laws Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Marks Cllr Wicks	3 Conservative 2 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
49	Wisbech and Fenland Museum Management Committee	1	Cllr Topgood	Conservative party representation
50	Wisbech Access Strategy Project Board	2	Cllr Lynn Cllr Tanfield	1 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats)
51	Young People March	1	Cllr Purser	Conservative party representation

APPENDIX B RECOMMENDED OUTSIDE BODIES FEEDBACK FORM

Councillor:

Meeting Commitment
(e.g; 3 per annum)

Meetings Attended:
(Dates (s))

Details of any topics relevant to Fenland District Council:

Matters to be taken forward by Councillor:
(e.g to be raised at Scrutiny Committee, Cabinet or Council)

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