


Agenda Item No:	9	
Committee:	Cabinet	
Date:	06 August 2020	
Report Title:	Appointments to Outside Bodies 2020/21	

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 2020/21.

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 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
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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, Manea and Welney Drainage Commissioners, March West and White Fen Internal Drainage Board; March East Internal Drainage Board; March Fifth Drainage Board, March Sixth Drainage Board; March Third Internal Drainage Board; Nightlayers Internal Drainage Board; Rural Cambs CAB, Warboys, Somersham and Pidley Internal Drainage Board.
- 4.6 There are two Outside Organisations which no longer require representation at this time, namely
Wisbech and Fenland Museum Management Committee
East Cambs and Fenland Children's and Young Peoples Partnership (as the partnership has been disbanded)
- The number of outside organisations requiring representation for 2020/21 will be to 49.
- 4.8 During the review of Outside Bodies, the Overview and Scrutiny Panel recommended the use of a feedback form (which is contained at appendix B) as the form was intended to provide greater transparency regarding the work elected members are involved in whilst representing the District Council on Outside Body organisations.

APPENDIX A

Ref No	Outside Body	Number of representatives required 2020/21	Current nominated representatives 2019/20	To Be Nominated Representatives 2020/21	Proportionality
1	Anglia Revenue Partnership	1 + 2 substitutes	Cllr Jan French Substitute members Cllr Connor Cllr Kim French	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	Cllr Laws Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Wicks	3 Conservatives 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
3	Cambridgeshire Horizons Board	1	Cllr Boden	Cllr Boden	Conservative Party representation
4	Cambridgeshire Military Community Covenant Board	1	Cllr Tierney	Cllr Tierney	Conservative Party Representation
5	Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Panel	1 + 1 substitute	Cllr Wallwork Substitute member Cllr Lynn	Cllr Wallwork Substitute member Cllr Lynn	Conservative Party Representation
6	Cambridgeshire Health and Wellbeing Board + District Lead Members Group	1	Cllr Wallwork	Cllr Wallwork	Conservative Party Representation
7	Chatteris Community Centre Association	2	Cllr Murphy Cllr Benney	Cllr Murphy Cllr Divine	1 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of

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8	College of West Anglia Governing Body	1	Cllr Topgood	Cllr Topgood	Conservative Party Representation
9	Community Learning and Skills Partnership	1	Cllr Benney	Cllr Benney	Conservative Party Representation
10	Curf and Wimblington Combined IDB	1	Cllr Davis	Cllr Davis	Conservative Party Representation
11	Feldale IDB	7	Cllr Laws Cllr Boden Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Mrs Mayor	Cllr Laws Cllr Boden Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Wicks	5 Conservatives 2 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
12	Fenland Association of Community Transport	1	Cllr Seaton	Cllr Seaton	Conservative Party Representation
13	Fenland Diverse Communities Forum	1	Cllr Tierney	Cllr Tierney	Conservative Party Representation
14	Fenland Tension Monitoring Group	1	Cllr Hoy	Cllr Hoy	Conservative Party Representation
15	Fenland Transport and Access Partnership	1	Cllr Topgood	Cllr Topgood	Conservative Party Representation
16	Fenland Transport Strategy	2	Cllr Seaton Cllr Connor	Cllr Seaton Cllr Wicks	1 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and

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17	Fenland Twinning Association	4	Cllr Mrs Hay Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Topgood Cllr Meekins	Cllr Mrs Hay Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Topgood Cllr Meekins	3 Conservatives 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
18	Hanson, Fletton Brickworks Industry	1	Cllr Boden	Cllr Boden	Conservative Party Representation
19	Health Committee	1 + 1 substitute	Cllr Sam Clark Substitute Member Cllr Topgood	Cllr Sam Clark Substitute Member Cllr Topgood	Conservative Party Representation
20	Hundred of Wisbech IDB	15	Cllr Topgood Cllr Wallwork Cllr Lynn Cllr Hoy Cllr Rackley Cllr Sutton Cllr Meekins Cllr Booth Cllr Tanfield	Cllr Topgood Cllr Wallwork Cllr Lynn Cllr Hoy Cllr Rackley Cllr Sutton Cllr Meekins Cllr Booth Cllr Tanfield	10 Conservatives 5 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
21	Kings Lynn IDB	1	Cllr Topgood	Cllr Topgood	Conservative Party Representation
22	LGA/ LGA Rural Commission/ LGA Urban Commission	1 + 1 Substitute	Cllr Boden Substitute member Cllr Tierney	Cllr Boden Substitute member Cllr Tierney	Conservative Party Representation
23	Manea and Welney Drainage Commissioners	3	Cllr Marks Cllr Sutton	Cllr Sutton	2 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents

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					Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
24	March Area Transport Study	2	Cllr Count Cllr Skoulding	Cllr Count Cllr Cornwell	1 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
25	March West and White Fen Internal Drainage Board (Previously known as March and Whittlesey IDB)	6	Cllr Cornwell Cllr Wicks	Cllr Jan French Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Laws Cllr Cornwell Cllr Wicks	4 Conservatives 2 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
26	March East IDB	11	Cllr Purser Cllr Clark Cllr Topgood Cllr Cornwell Cllr Marks Cllr Yeulett	Cllr Purser Cllr John Clark Cllr Topgood Cllr Davis Cllr Jan French Cllr Cornwell Cllr Marks Cllr Yeulett	7 Conservatives 4 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
27	March Education Foundation	1	Cllr Purser	Cllr Purser	Conservative Party Representation

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28	March Fifth District Drainage Commissioners	8	Cllr Cornwell Cllr Jan French	Cllr Jan French Cllr Cornwell	5 Conservatives 3 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
29	March Sixth District Drainage Commissioners	4	Cllr Cornwell Cllr Jan French	Cllr Jan French Cllr Cornwell	3 Conservatives 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
30	March Third IDB	5	Cllr Cornwell Cllr Marks Cllr Jan French Cllr Yeulett	Cllr Jan French Cllr Cornwell Cllr Yeulett	3 Conservatives 2 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
31	Middle Level Commissioners	3	Cllr Laws Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Sutton	Cllr Laws Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Sutton	2 Conservatives 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)

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32	Needham and Laddus IDB	1	Cllr Sutton	Cllr Sutton	Conservative Party Representation
33	Nightlayer IDB	10	Cllr Benney Cllr Hay Cllr Murphy Cllr Divine	Cllr Benney Cllr Hay Cllr Murphy Cllr Divine	7 Conservatives 3 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
34	North Level District IDB	7	Cllr Humphrey Cllr Sam Clark Cllr Laws Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Booth Cllr Meekins	Cllr Humphrey Cllr Sam Clark Cllr Laws Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Booth Cllr Meekins	5 Conservatives 2 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
35	Wisbech Community Development Trust (Oasis Village Centre)	1		Cllr Wallwork	Conservative Party Representation
36	Ransonmoor District Drainage Commissioners	2	Cllr Connor Cllr Wicks	Cllr Connor Cllr Wicks	1 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
37	RECAP	1	Cllr Murphy	Cllr Murphy	Conservative Party

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38	Rural Cambs CAB	3	Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Booth	Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Seaton Cllr Booth	2 Conservatives 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
39	Safer Fenland Partnership	1	Cllr Wallwork	Cllr Wallwork	Conservative Party Representation
40	The Wash and North Norfolk Marine Partnership	1	Cllr Rackley	Cllr Rackley	Conservative Party Representation
41	The Combined Authority	1 + 1 Substitute	Cllr Boden Substitute member Cllr Jan French	Cllr Boden Substitute member Cllr Jan French	Conservative Party Representation
42	The Combined Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee	2 + 2 Substitutes	Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Mrs Hay Substitute member Cllr Tierney	Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Mrs Hay Substitute member Cllr Tierney	Conservative Party Representation
43	The Combined Authority Audit Committee	1 + 1 Substitute	Cllr Benney Substitute member Cllr Hoy	Cllr Benney Substitute member Cllr Hoy	Conservative Party Representation
44	Upwell IDB	2	Cllr Rackley Cllr Sutton	Cllr Rackley Cllr Sutton	1 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)

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45	Waldersey IDB	2	Cllr Rackley Cllr Sutton	Cllr Rackley Cllr Sutton	1 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
46	Warboys, Somersham and Pidley IDB	1	No nominated representative for 2019/20	Cllr Benney	Conservative Party Representation
47	Whittlesey & District IDB	5	Cllr Mason Cllr Laws Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Wicks	Cllr Mason Cllr Laws Cllr Mayor Cllr Boden Cllr Wicks	3 Conservatives 2 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
48	Wisbech Access Strategy Member Steering Group	2	Cllr Lynn Cllr Rackley	Cllr Lynn Cllr Rackley	1 Conservative 1 Fenland Independents Alliance (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
49	Young People March	1	Cllr Purser	Cllr Purser	Conservative Party Representation

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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