


Agenda Item No.:	5	
Committee:	Cabinet	
Date:	13 June 2022	
Report Title:	Appointments to Outside Bodies 2022/23	

1. PURPOSE/SUMMARY

- 1.1. 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 2022/23.

2. KEY ISSUES

- 2.1. The nomination and review of representatives on outside body organisations is the responsibility of Cabinet.
- 2.2. 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.
- 2.3. 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.
- 2.4. The Council recognises the value outside organisations make to the wider community and in the achievement of the Council's corporate priorities.
- 2.5. 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

It is recommended that Cabinet:

- 3.1. Agree the proposed nominations in respect of Outside Bodies which require Fenland District Council representation.
- 3.2. Note where requirements to provide representatives on outside organisations cannot currently be fulfilled
- 3.3. 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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Background papers	Outside Bodies Cabinet Report

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
 - Organisations 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.
- 4.6 The number of outside organisations requiring representation for 2022/23 will be to 54.

Appendix A

Ref No	Outside Body	Number of representatives required	Current nominated representatives 2021/22	To be nominated representatives 2022/23	Proportionality
1	Anglia Revenue Partnership	1 + 2 substitutes	Cllr Mrs French Substitutes: Cllr Connor Cllr Miss French	Cllr Mrs French Substitutes: Cllr Connor Cllr Miss French	Conservative
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 (FIA) (including 2 Liberal Democrats and 1 Member of The Green Party)
3	Cambridgeshire Horizons Board	1	Cllr Boden	Cllr Boden	Conservative
4	Cambridgeshire Military Community Covenant Board	1	Cllr Tierney	Cllr Tierney	Conservative
5	Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Panel	1 + 1 substitute	Cllr Lynn Substitute: Cllr Connor	Cllr Lynn Substitute: Cllr Connor	Conservative
6	Cambridgeshire Health and Wellbeing Board + District Lead Members Group	1	Cllr Clark	Cllr Clark	Conservative
7	Chatteris Community Centre Association	2	Cllr Murphy or Cllr Benney TBC Cllr Divine	Cllr Murphy or Cllr Benney TBC Cllr Divine	1 Conservative 1 FIA

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8	College of West Anglia Governing Body	1	Cllr Topgood	Cllr Topgood	Conservative
9	Community Learning and Skills Partnership	1	Cllr Benney	Cllr Benney	Conservative
10	Curf and Wimblington Combined IDB	1	Cllr Davis	Cllr Davis	Conservative
11	Feldale IDB	7	Cllr Laws Cllr Boden Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Wicks	Cllr Laws Cllr Boden Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Wicks Cllr Mockett	5 Conservatives (1 Conservative vacancy) 2 FIA (1 FIA Vacancy)
12	Fenland Association of Community Transport	1	Cllr Seaton	Cllr Seaton	Conservative
13	Fenland Diverse Communities Forum	1	Cllr Tierney	Cllr Tierney	Conservative
14	Fenland Tension Monitoring Group	1	Cllr Hoy	Cllr Hoy	Conservative
15	Fenland Transport and Access Partnership	1	Cllr Topgood	Cllr Topgood	Conservative
16	Fenland Transport Strategy	2	Cllr Seaton Cllr Wicks	Cllr Seaton Cllr Wicks	1 Conservative 1 FIA

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17	Fenland Twinning Association	4	Cllr Mrs Hay Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Topgood Cllr Cornwell	Cllr Mrs Hay Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Topgood Cllr Cornwell	3 Conservatives 1 FIA
18	Hanson, Fletton Brickworks Industry	1	Cllr Boden	Cllr Boden	Conservative
19	Health Committee	1 + 1 substitute	Cllr Clark Substitute Member Cllr Topgood	Cllr Clark Substitute Member Cllr Topgood	Conservative
20	Hundred of Wisbech IDB	15	Cllr Topgood Cllr Wallwork Cllr Lynn Cllr Hoy Cllr Rackley Cllr Sutton Cllr Booth Cllr Tanfield	Cllr Topgood Cllr Wallwork Cllr Lynn Cllr Hoy Cllr Rackley Cllr Sutton Cllr Booth Cllr Tanfield Cllr Meekings	10 Conservatives (5 Conservative vacancies) 5 FIA (2 FIA Vacancies)
21	Kings Lynn IDB	1	Cllr Rackley	Cllr Rackley	Conservative
22	LGA/ LGA Rural Commission/ LGA Urban Commission	1 + 1 Substitute	Cllr Boden Substitute member Cllr Mrs French	Cllr Boden Substitute member Cllr Mrs French	Conservative
23	Manea and Welney Drainage Commissioners	3	Cllr Marks Cllr Sutton	Cllr Marks Cllr Sutton	2 Conservative (1 Conservative vacancy) 1 FIA Councillor Sutton takes 1

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24	March Area Transport Study	2	Cllr Count Cllr Cornwell	Cllr Count Cllr Cornwell	1 Conservative 1 FIA
25	March West and White Fen Internal Drainage Board (Previously known as March and Whittlesey IDB)	6	Cllr Mrs French Cllr Mrs Laws Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Cornwell Cllr Wicks	Cllr Mrs French Cllr Mrs Laws Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Cornwell Cllr Wicks Cllr Mockett	4 Conservatives (1 Conservative vacancy) 2 FIA
26	March East IDB	11	Cllr Purser Cllr Clark Cllr Topgood Cllr Cornwell Cllr Marks Cllr Yeulett Cllr Davis Cllr Mrs French	Cllr Purser Cllr Clark Cllr Topgood Cllr Cornwell Cllr Marks Cllr Yeulett Cllr Davis Cllr Mrs French	7 Conservatives (4 Conservative vacancies) 4 FIA (1 FIA vacancy)
27	March Education Foundation	1	Cllr Purser	Cllr Purser	Conservative
28	March Fifth District Drainage Commissioners	8	Cllr Mrs French Cllr Cornwell Cllr Yeulett	Cllr Mrs French Cllr Cornwell Cllr Yeulett	5 Conservatives (4 Conservative vacancies) 3 FIA (1 FIA vacancy)
29	March Sixth District	4	Cllr Mrs French	Cllr Mrs French	3 Conservatives

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	Drainage Commissioners		Cllr Cornwell	Cllr Cornwell	(2 Conservative vacancies) 1 FIA
30	March Third IDB	5	Cllr Mrs French Cllr Cornwell Cllr Yeulett	Cllr Mrs French Cllr Cornwell Cllr Yeulett	3 Conservatives (2 Conservative vacancies) 2 FIA
31	Middle Level Commissioners	3	Cllr Laws Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Sutton	Cllr Laws Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Sutton	2 Conservatives 1 FIA
32	Needham and Laddus IDB	1	Cllr Sutton	Cllr Sutton	Conservative FIA has Conservative seat
33	Nightlayer IDB	10	Cllr Benney Cllr Mrs French Cllr Hay Cllr Murphy Cllr Divine	Cllr Benney Cllr Mrs French Cllr Hay Cllr Murphy Cllr Divine Cllr Boden	7 Conservatives (3 Conservative vacancies) 3 FIA (2 FIA vacancies)
34	North Level District IDB	7	Cllr Humphrey Cllr Sam Clark Cllr Laws Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Booth Cllr Wicks	Cllr Humphrey Cllr Sam Clark Cllr Laws Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Booth Cllr Wicks	5 Conservatives 2 FIA
35	Wisbech Community Development Trust (Oasis)	1	Cllr Rackley was the nominated representative but stood down in	No nominated representative	Conservative (1 Conservative vacancy)

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	Village Centre)		June 2020.		
36	Ransonmoor District Drainage Commissioners	2	Cllr Connor Cllr Wicks	Cllr Connor Cllr Wicks	1 Conservative 1 FIA
37	RECAP	1 +1 Substitute member	Cllr Murphy Substitute: Cllr Tierney	Cllr Murphy Substitute: Cllr Tierney	Conservative
38	Rural Cambs CAB	3	Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Booth	Cllr Miscandlon Cllr Booth	2 Conservatives (1 Conservative vacancy) 1 FIA
39	Safer Fenland Partnership	1	Cllr Lynn	Cllr Lynn	Conservative
40	The Wash and North Norfolk Marine Partnership	1	Cllr Rackley	Cllr Rackley	Conservative
41	The Combined Authority	1 + 1 Substitute	Cllr Boden Substitute: Cllr Mrs French	Cllr Boden Substitute : Cllr Mrs French	Conservative
42	The Combined Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee	2 + 2 Substitutes	Cllr Hay Cllr Miscandlon Substitute: Cllr Tierney 1 vacancy	Cllr Hay Cllr Miscandlon Substitute: Cllr Tierney 1 vacancy	Conservative
43	The Combined Authority Audit and Governance Committee	1 + 1 Substitute	Cllr Benney Substitute: Cllr Hoy	Cllr Benney Substitute: Cllr Hoy	Conservative
44	The Combined	1 +1 sub	Cllr Miss French	Cllr Miss French	Conservative

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	Authority Employment Committee		Substitute: Cllr Mrs Davis	Substitute: Cllr Mrs Davis	
45	The Combined Authority Housing and Communities Committee	1+1 Sub	Cllr Boden Substitute: Cllr Mrs Laws	Cllr Mrs Laws Substitute: Cllr Boden	Conservative
46	The Combined Authority Transport and Infrastructure Committee	1+1 Sub	Cllr Seaton Substitute: Cllr Boden	Cllr Seaton Substitute: Cllr Boden	Conservative
47	The Combined Authority Skills Committee	1+1 Sub	Cllr Seaton Substitute: Cllr Mason	Cllr Seaton Substitute: Cllr Mason	Conservative
48	Upwell IDB	2	Cllr Rackley Cllr Sutton	Cllr Rackley Cllr Sutton	1 Conservative 1 FIA
49	Waldersey IDB	2	Cllr Rackley Cllr Sutton	Cllr Rackley Cllr Sutton	1 Conservative 1 FIA
50	Warboys, Somersham and Pidley IDB	1	No nominated representative	No nominated representative	Conservative (1 Conservative vacancy)
51	Whittlesey & District IDB	5	Cllr Mason Cllr Laws Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Wicks	Cllr Mason Cllr Laws Cllr Mrs Mayor Cllr Wicks	3 Conservatives 2 FIA (1 FIA vacancy)
52	Wisbech Access Strategy Member Steering Group	2	Cllr Lynn or Cllr Rackley TBC Cllr Booth	Cllr Lynn or Cllr Rackley TBC Cllr Booth	1 Conservative 1 FIA
53	Young People	1	Cllr Purser	Cllr Purser	Conservative

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	March				
54.	Water Resources East (WRE) Strategic Advisory Group	1	Cllr Laws	Cllr Laws	Conservative