

REPORT TO: Cabinet
DATE: 17 February 2011
SUBJECT: Representation on Outside Bodies
WARDS AFFECTED: All
REPORT OF: Assistant Chief Executive
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EXEMPT/CONFIDENTIAL: No

PURPOSE/SUMMARY:

To consider a request submitted by Councillor Parry to change her Groups nominations to serve on a number of Outside Bodies for the remainder of the current Municipal Year 2010/11.

REASON WHY DECISION REQUIRED:

To determine the Council's representation on a number of Outside Bodies.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

The Cabinet is requested to consider the proposed changes to the Council's representation on a number of Outside Bodies which would take effect for the remainder of the current Municipal Year 2010/11 as set out in Paragraph 2.1 of the report.

KEY DECISION: No
FORWARD PLAN: Not appropriate
IMPLEMENTATION DATE: Following the expiry of the "call-in" period for the Minutes of this meeting.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS:

Not to alter the representatives appointed to serve in the current Municipal Year.

IMPLICATIONS:

Budget/Policy Framework: Not appropriate

Financial: None arising from this report.

Legal: None arising from this report.

Risk Assessment: Not appropriate.

Asset Management: Not appropriate

CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN/VIEWS

The Environmental and Technical Services Director has been consulted.

CORPORATE OBJECTIVE MONITORING:

<u>Corporate Objective</u>		<u>Positive Impact</u>	<u>Neutral Impact</u>	<u>Negative Impact</u>
1	Creating a Learning Community		√	
2	Creating Safe Communities		√	
3	Jobs and Prosperity		√	
4	Improving Health and Well-Being		√	
5	Environmental Sustainability	√		
6	Creating Inclusive Communities		√	
7	Improving the Quality of Council Services and Strengthening local Democracy	√		
8	Children and Young People		√	

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS RELIED UPON IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS REPORT

Report to Cabinet - 20 May 2010.
Report to Cabinet - 30 September 2010.

1. Background

- 1.1 The Cabinet has delegated authority in the Council Constitution to appoint Council representatives to serve on Outside Bodies. The Cabinet at its meeting held on 20 May 2010 determined the Council's representation on Outside Bodies for the Council Year 2010/11.

North Western Shadow Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority.

- 1.2 A report was submitted to the Cabinet Meeting held on 30 September 2010 relating to the new North Western Inshore Fishery and Conservation Authority (IFCA) to be established by the Department for Environment, Fisheries and Rural Affairs on 1 April 2011 to replace the current Sea Fisheries Committee and the proposal for Sefton Council to have one seat on the new IFCA.
- 1.3 A shadow IFCA was set up for the period 1 October 2010 to 31 March 2011 to operate in parallel with the North West Sea Fisheries Committee (SFC) which will continue to operate until 31 March 2011 and meetings of the shadow IFCA will need to be held prior to 1 April 2011 in order to consider and agree the budget and business plan for the new IFCA.
- 1.4 The report indicated that the Chief Executive of the SFC had recommended that where possible, Councillors who have served on the SFC should transfer to the IFCA in order to preserve knowledge and continuity. He had also indicated that it would be helpful if the Council could nominate an officer contact who would be able to assist and advise the member representative with the delivery of IFCA business and who could attend IFCA meetings as an observer or deputy representative if necessary.
- 1.5 On that basis, the Cabinet agreed that:
- (i) Councillor Glover continue to be Council's representative on the North West Sea Fisheries Committee and the Shadow Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority (IFCA) until 31 March 2011;
 - (ii) Councillor Glover be the Council's representative on the new IFCA from 1 April until 31 May 2011; and
 - (iii) the Head of Coast and Countryside Services be appointed as the Council's Officer contact on the IFCA and to be an Observer and Substitute representative, if necessary, at meetings of the IFCA.
- 1.6 It was indicated at the Cabinet Meeting that Councillor Glover should stay on the IFCA in view of his previous experience on the SFC and the fact that he is the Chairman of the current body, but if he was to step down, the Council representative should be either the Cabinet Member - Leisure and Tourism or Cabinet Member - Environmental, as the work of the IFCA with regard to the preservation of the coastlines and environmental issues falls under their portfolios.

2. Proposed changes to the Council's representatives on Outside Bodies

- 2.1 Councillor Parry has requested that the following changes to the Council's representation on Outside Bodies be made for the period due to expire on 31 May 2011:

Mersey Port Health Committee

Councillor Dorgan to replace Councillor Glover as a Member of the Committee

Councillor Ibbs to replace Councillor Pearson as the Substitute Member for Councillor Dorgan.

North West Sea Fisheries Committee

Councillor Booth (Cabinet Member - Leisure and Tourism) to replace Councillor Glover as the Council representative (term of office expires on 31 March 2011).

North West Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority

Councillor Booth (Cabinet Member - Leisure and Tourism) to replace Councillor Glover as the Council representative (term of office from 1 April to 31 May 2011).

Sefton Council for Voluntary Services

Councillor Porter to replace Councillor Doran as the Council representative.

Sefton Cycling Forum

Councillor Jones to replace Councillor Pearson as the Council representative on the Forum.

Standing Advisory Committee for Religious Education (SACRE)

Councillor Dutton to replace Councillor Doran as the Substitute Member for Councillor Cuthbertson.

- 2.2 The Cabinet will be asked to determine the Council's representation on Outside Bodies for the Council Year 2011/12 at its meeting to be held in late May 2011.