
Report to: Cabinet

Date of Meeting: 26 May 2011

Subject: Appointment of Representatives on Outside Bodies 2011/12

Report of: Director of Corporate Commissioning

Wards Affected: All

Is this a Key Decision? Yes

Is it included in the Forward Plan?
Yes

Exempt/Confidential

No

Purpose/Summary

To consider the appointment of the Council's representatives to serve on the Outside Bodies as set out in the attached appendices for 2011/12 or for periods longer than one year. The appendices show those appointments made for 2011/12, together with amendments made during the year.

Recommendation(s)

The Cabinet is requested to:

1. appoint representatives to serve on the various Outside Bodies set out in Appendix 1 for a twelve month period expiring in May 2012; and
2. appoint representatives to serve on the Outside Bodies highlighted in bold type in Appendix 2 for the term of office indicated in the Appendix.

How does the decision contribute to the Council's Corporate Objectives?

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

Reasons for the Recommendation:

The Council has delegated powers to appoint the Council's representatives to serve on Outside Bodies.

What will it cost and how will it be financed?

(A) Revenue Costs

None arising from this report. The Council pays annual membership subscriptions to a number of the bodies from existing budgetary provision and the annual levy to the North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority.

(B) Capital Costs

None arising from this report.

Implications:

The following implications of this proposal have been considered and where there are specific implications, these are set out below:

Legal - None	
Human Resources - None	
Equality	
1. No Equality Implication	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2. Equality Implications identified and mitigated	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Equality Implication identified and risk remains	<input type="checkbox"/>

Impact on Service Delivery:

The appointment of Council representatives on to the Outside Bodies will ensure that the interests of residents of Sefton are taken into account by each Body.

What consultations have taken place on the proposals and when?

The Chief Executive and Strategic/Service Directors have been consulted on the list of Outside Bodies.

The Head of Corporate Finance (FD.739) and Head of Corporate Legal Services (LD.100/11) have been consulted and any comments have been incorporated into the report.

Are there any other options available for consideration?

No.

Implementation Date for the Decision

Following the expiry of the “call-in” period for the Minutes of the Cabinet

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Background Papers:

There are no background papers available for inspection.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Cabinet has delegated authority in the Council Constitution to appoint Council representatives to serve on Outside Bodies. The majority of the appointments are reviewed on an annual basis and the current representation for 2010/11 is set out in **Appendix 1** to this report. The Cabinet is requested to appoint representatives to serve on the bodies set out in the Appendix for the next twelve month period expiring in May 2012.
- 1.2 A small number of appointments are for a period of over one year. These are for charitable bodies and governing bodies. The current representation on these bodies is set out in **Appendix 2** to this report. The Cabinet is requested to appoint representatives whose term of office expires in 2011/12, or where there are vacancies, which are highlighted in bold type in the Appendix.
- 1.3 A separate report relating to the appointment of representatives to the Local Government Association General Assembly for 2011/12 is included on the agenda for this Cabinet meeting.
- 1.4 The Council has previously decided to cease membership of the Local Government Association and the North Western Local Authorities Employer's Organisation as part of the budget savings agreed under the Transformation Programme but a twelve month notice period needs to be observed and the membership will conclude at the end of the Council Year 2011/12.
- 1.5 The annual appointments to the four Merseyside Joint Authorities, the Strategic Board and Thematic Groups of the Sefton Borough Partnership and the new Area Partnerships will be considered at the Adjourned Annual Council Meeting on 17 May 2011.

2. Appointments

- 2.1 A high number of the places on Outside Bodies are historically allocated to the most appropriate Cabinet Member (and Spokespersons) and the remainder are allocated dependent on the number of places available, to the most appropriate Local Councillor(s). The details of the links to Cabinet Portfolios are set out in the two appendices.
- 2.2 The Council's representation on the following bodies has discontinued for the reasons given:

Body	Reason
Environmental Protection U.K.	No formal representation required from local authorities.
Investigation of Air Pollution Standing Conference	No formal representation required from local authorities

Liverpool John Lennon Airport Board	No formal representation required from local authorities following the acquisition by Vancouver Airport Services of a 65% majority share in Peel Airports Limited from the Peel Group
Sefton FAST (Families and Schools Together)	The body no longer exists
Southport Business Enterprise - Board of Management	This body will form part of the Southport Area Partnership and the Membership details will be submitted to the Council on 7 July 2011 for consideration

- 2.3 The constitutional status of the Merseyside Port Health Committee is the subject of review at the present time and the views of relevant stakeholders, including the constituent authorities (Liverpool, Sefton and Wirral), the Secretary of State, Joint Venture Partners and the port operators will be sought prior to the implementation of any changes. A report will be submitted to the Cabinet on this issue in due course and in the meantime, the Cabinet is requested to nominate representatives as set out in Appendix A.
- 2.4 The Strategic Director - People has requested that the Cabinet appoint a representative on the newly established Liverpool City Region Child Poverty and Life Chances Commission and the recommended representative is the Cabinet Member - Children, Schools and Families.
- 2.5 The Council has also been requested to appoint a representative on the Governing Body for Clarence High School, Freshfield which is operated by Nugent Care, Liverpool and provides places for young people who experience social, emotional and behavioural difficulties. Following consultation with the Group Leaders, it is recommended that the representative should be one of the Local Ward Councillors, namely Councillor Dutton.
- 2.6 Members will be aware from the reports submitted to the Cabinet on 30 September 2010 and 17 February 2011 that Councillor Glover was appointed onto the North West Sea Fisheries Committee a number of years ago and because of his "expertise" in that area, he was appointed on the new North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority (NWIFCA) which was established on 1 April 2011 under the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009.
- 2.7 The term of office for Members of the NWIFCA will be four years from 1 June 2011 and the Cabinet will need to determine whether it wishes to re-appoint Councillor Glover as the Council's representative on the Authority in addition to the Head of Coast and Countryside. If the Cabinet is minded to appoint a new representative, the most appropriate member would be the Cabinet Member - Leisure, Culture and Tourism Services.