
Report to: Cabinet

Date of Meeting: 28 February 2013

Subject: North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority – Change in Council's Appointed Representative

Report of: Director of Corporate Commissioning

Wards Affected: All

Is this a Key Decision? No

Is it included in the Forward Plan?
No

Exempt/Confidential No

Purpose/Summary

To seek approval to the proposed change in the Council's representation on the North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority for the remainder of the 2012/13 Municipal Year.

Recommendation

That Councillor John Joseph Kelly be appointed as the Council's representative on the North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority for the remainder of the 2012/13 Municipal Year in place of Councillor Hardy.

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 Recommendations:

The Cabinet has delegated powers to approve the Council’s representatives to serve on Outside Bodies.

What will it cost and how will it be financed?

- (A) **Revenue Costs** None.
- (B) **Capital Costs** None.

Implications:

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

Legal Cabinet has the authority to appoint representatives to outside bodies where the appointment is a Cabinet function or has been delegated by the Council	
Human Resources	
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:

To enable the Council to have representation on the Consultative Committee

What consultations have taken place on the proposals and when?

The Head of Corporate Finance and ICT has no comments on this report because the contents of the report have no financial implications. (FD2119 /2013)

The Head of Corporate Legal Services (LD1435/13) has been consulted and 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 Meeting.

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Background Papers:

None

1. Introduction/Background

1.1.1 At its meeting held on 24 May 2012, the Cabinet considered a report of the Director of Corporate Commissioning seeking the appointment of representatives on Outside Bodies. The Cabinet approved the appointment of various representatives, including that of Councillor Hardy to serve on the North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority

1.2 In accordance with the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009, the North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority is tasked with the sustainable management of inshore sea fisheries resources in the area from the Wirral Peninsula to the Duddon Estuary. It is made up of representatives from the constituent local authorities (who provide funding for the Authority through levies raised) along with people from across the different sectors that use or are knowledgeable about the inshore marine area, such as commercial and recreational fishermen, environmental groups and marine researchers, who offer their time voluntarily.

Meetings are held quarterly in March, June, September and December.

1.3 It is recommended that Councillor John Joseph Kelly be appointed as the Council's representative on the Consultative Committee for the remainder of the current Municipal Year in place of the Cabinet Member – Communities and Environment (Councillor Hardy).

1.4 Both Councillors Hardy and John Joseph Kelly have been consulted on this matter and are happy with the proposed change.