
Report to: Cabinet

Date of Meeting: 12 September 2013

Subject: Local Solutions – Change in Council's Appointed Representative

Report of: Director of Corporate Services

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 Local Solutions for the remainder of the 2013/14 Municipal Year.

Recommendation

That Councillor Roche be appointed as the Council's representative on Local Solutions for the remainder of the 2013/14 Municipal Year in place of Councillor Gustafson.

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. (FD2423)

The Head of Corporate Legal Services (LD1738) has been consulted and has no comments on 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 At its meeting held on 23 May 2013, the Cabinet considered a report of the Director of Corporate Services seeking the appointment of representatives on Outside Bodies. The Cabinet approved the appointment of various representatives, including that of Councillor Gustafson to serve on Local Solutions.

1.2 Local Solutions is a Merseyside based Social Enterprise which delivers services to people primarily across the North West of England and North Wales. Established in 1974, it has a proven track record of improving the quality of life for vulnerable and excluded people. This is achieved through the following programmes:

- Anti-bullying support service
- Domestic violence support service
- Carers support
- Mental health support
- Training programmes
- Home insulation
- Fuel Debt Advice Service
- Homecare
- Money Advice Service
- Early Years provision
- Supporting young homeless people
- Outdoor pursuits
- Conference facilities
- Care Training
- Shopmobility service
- Welfare Rights service
- Watersports Centre

Meetings are held six times a year, very two months.

1.3 It is recommended that Councillor Roche be appointed as the Council's representative on Local Solutions for the remainder of the current Municipal Year in place of Councillor Gustafson.

1.4 Both Councillors Gustafson and Roche have been consulted on this matter and are happy with the proposed change.