



Report of the Chief Democratic Services Officer

Member Management Committee

Date: 8th October 2008

Subject: Local Authority Appointments to Outside Bodies

Electoral Wards Affected:



Ward Members consulted
(referred to in report)

Specific Implications For:

Equality and Diversity

Community Cohesion

Narrowing the Gap

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 Further to the meeting of this Committee in June 2008, and confirmation of nominations received to date, this report:

- provides an update on the current position regarding member appointments
- seeks to confirm member nominations to remaining vacancies.

2.0 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2.1 This is the second meeting of the Member Management Committee since the Annual Meeting of Council to make Elected Member appointments to Outside Bodies. The attached schedule at Appendix 1 details the current position.

2.2 Vacancies exist on a number of outside bodies. Member Management Committee is asked to consider the vacancies detailed in Appendix 1 and make appointments to them.

3.0 MAIN ISSUES

3.1 Members are asked to specifically consider the following issues:

3.2 Harrison & Potter Trust /Josiah Jenkinson Charity

3.3 The Harrison & Potter Trust /Josiah Jenkinson Charity was unallocated when this Committee agreed appointments in June.

3.4 Since that meeting Councillor Bentley has expressed an interest in serving on the body and members views are sought in relation to this appointment

Members may wish to note that the place was previously allocated to the Liberal Democrat Group.

3.5 David Young Community Academy

3.6 At the last meeting of this Committee Members asked that officers contact the academy to establish if an additional place could be allocated to the Council on the Governing Body of the David Young Community Academy.

3.7 Officers have been advised by the Academy that;

“the decision to appoint an additional place on the Governing Body is not within the remit of the Governors, but would be a matter for consideration by our sponsors, the Diocese of Ripon and Leeds. It would also be a lengthy process as it would require application to the DCSF to alter the Funding Agreement of the Academy.

The matter has been brought to the attention of the Diocese and it is with regret that we confirm to you that this would not be sanctioned at this current point in time.”

3.8 Members are asked to note the current position in relation to appointments to the David Young Community Academy.

3.9 Environment Agency – Ridings Area Environment Group

3.10 At the meeting in June Councillor Barry Anderson was appointed to the above Group as the Councils representative.

3.11 The Council have subsequently been notified that the Group has been disbanded and therefore no representation is required. Councillor Anderson has been notified that the Group has been disbanded.

3.12 Members are asked to note the current position in relation to appointments to the Environment Agency – Ridings Area Environment Group.

3.13 Leeds College of Art & Design

3.14 At the meeting in June Councillor Graham Hyde was appointed to the above College as the Councils representative.

3.15 The Council have subsequently been advised that the College adopted a new Instrument & Articles of Government at the end of 2007. The Instrument removed the specified categories for governors of FE Colleges, other than those for staff and student membership. Instead, Colleges have flexibility to recruit governors with the skills and knowledge required to carry out their functions and as a result, the College will not, routinely have available a place for a nominee of the City Council.

3.15 Councillor Hyde was advised that his term of office terminated on 28th March 2008 and the College also wrote to him thanking him for his valued service.

3.16 Members are asked to note the current position in relation to appointments to the Leeds College of Art and Design.

3.17 Normandy Veterans Association – Leeds Branch

3.18 The Leader of Council has been approached by the Honorary Secretary of the Leeds Branch of the Normandy Veterans Association asking if the Council would appoint Councillor Brenda Lancaster as the Councils representative for forthcoming veterans events in Leeds.

- 3.19 The Association have informed the Council that Councillor Lancaster has long been associated with the Veterans Association and knows of their aims and achievements and would be an excellent appointment.
- 3.20 In accordance with the Appointment to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules Members are asked to consider whether the Council would wish to appoint to this Association and if so consider whether that appointment should be Councillor Lancaster.
- 3.21 Appointments Made Since June 2008

Members are advised that since the last meeting of the Committee the following change of appointments have been confirmed by the Assistant Chief Executive(Corporate Governance) in accordance with the Appointments to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules (4.6)

<u>Outside Body</u>	<u>Member Appointed</u>	<u>Member Replaced</u>	<u>Date</u>
WYPTA – Social Services Liaison Group	Cllr S Armitage	Cllr A McKenna	10/7/2008
Lord Mayors Charity	Cllr Bentley	Cllr Hamilton	11/7/2008
Yorkshire Tourist Board	Cllr Monaghan	Cllr Downes	11/7/2008
Adoption Panel Elmete	Cllr Chastney	Cllr Lancaster	20/8/2008
Renew	Cllr Lobley	Cllr J L Carter	29/8/2008

4.0 IMPLICATIONS FOR COUNCIL POLICY AND GOVERNANCE

- 4.1 The member appointments referred to in 3.1 to 3.21 are in accordance with the Council's Constitution and as detailed in the Appointments to Outside Body Procedure Rules. Members will also be advised of the need to update their entry in the Members register of interests.

5.0 LEGAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no specific legal or resource implications in relation to these appointments.

6.0 RECOMMENDATION

- 6.1 Members are asked to consider the current position in relation to Elected Member appointments to outside bodies detailed in Appendix 1.
- 6.2 Members are asked to note the change of appointments since the last meeting of the Committee as detailed in 3.21 of the report.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Appointment to Outside Bodies Procedure Rules