

Strategic Planning, Sustainability and Transportation Committee

10 July 2018

Nominations to Outside Bodies – SPS&T

Final Decision-Maker	Strategic Planning, Sustainability and Transportation Committee
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Classification	Public
Wards affected	All

Executive Summary

The Committee is requested to consider any nominations received for the vacancies to Outside Bodies and to note the outside bodies attributable to the Strategic Planning, Sustainability and Transportation Committee.

This report makes the following recommendations to this Committee:

1. That the Committee consider the nomination received for the Kent Downs AONB Advisory Board as set out in Appendix A and makes an appointment if appropriate.
2. That the Committee note the list of the Outside Bodies that are appointed by the Strategic Planning, Sustainability and Transportation Committee as set out in Appendix B.

Timetable

Meeting	Date
Strategic Planning, Sustainability and Transportation Committee	10 July 2018

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1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

1.1 At its meeting on 28 February 2018 the Council recommended that some of the Council's Outside Bodies be appointed by an appropriate Committee.

1.2 The outside bodies vacancies attributable to the Strategic Planning, Sustainability and Transportation Committee have recently been advertised to Members and the nominations received are set out below:-

Kent Downs AONB Joint Advisory Committee – One nomination has been received

Maidstone Cycling Campaign Forum – No nominations received

Maidstone Quality Bus Partnership – No nominations received

Medway Valley Line Steering Group – No nominations received

Southern Railway Stakeholder Forum – No nominations received

1.3 In order for Members of this Committee to be fully appraised of the outside bodies attributable to this Committee, details have been provided in Appendix B.

1.4 The Constitution states under the role of the Chairman of Strategic Planning, Sustainability and Transportation that he will:-

- * work with others in building a vision for the Council and Committee.
- * represent the Council on all partnerships relevant to the Committee.
- * take the lead role in the Committee of fostering close links with key stakeholders including Parish Councils, the Developers Forum, English Heritage and transport interest groups such as Quality Bus Partnerships, Transport Users Group, Rail Stakeholder Groups.
- * take the lead role within the Committee for responsibility for relationships with funders including Kent County Council and Highways England.
- * Chair the Joint Transportation Board with Kent County Council in alternate years and the Vice Chairman in others.

1.5 The Chairman currently attends the Quality Bus Partnership meetings and is also an appointee on the Maidstone East Strategic Board. He has responsibility to oversee the Gyratory Scheme improvements in conjunction with the Director of Regeneration and Place. The Chairman has also had responsibility to oversee the tow path improvement works.

2. AVAILABLE OPTIONS

- 2.1 The Committee could do nothing. This is not recommended as it could damage the relationships that the Council foster with these organisations.
- 2.2 The Committee could appoint to the various Outside Bodies as appropriate.
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3. PREFERRED OPTION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Option 2.2 is recommended as there is a need to ensure that these vacancies are filled as soon as possible.
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4. NEXT STEPS: COMMUNICATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECISION

- 4.1 Should any of the vacancies be filled then the relevant outside bodies would be contacted and appraised of the Member/person having been appointed.
- 4.2 In the event that some of the vacancies are not filled then these will be re-advertised at a later stage and brought back to the Committee for consideration should a nomination be received.
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5. CROSS-CUTTING ISSUES AND IMPLICATIONS

Issue	Implications	Sign-off
Impact on Corporate Priorities	We do not expect the recommendation will by itself materially affect the achievement of the corporate priorities	Democratic Services Officer
Risk Management	There are no significant risks	Democratic Services Officer
Financial	There are no significant financial implications arising from this report	Democratic Services Officer
Staffing	There are no staffing implications arising from this report	Democratic Services Officer
Legal	There are no legal implications unless the Constitutions of these charities change	Democratic Services Officer
Privacy and Data Protection	There are none	Democratic Services

		Officer
Equalities	There are none	Democratic Services Officer
Crime and Disorder	There are none	Democratic Services Officer
Procurement	There are none	Democratic Services Officer

6. REPORT APPENDICES

- Appendix A – Nomination for Kent Downs AONB Advisory Board
- Appendix B – Details of the Outside Bodies attributable to SPS&T Committee

7. BACKGROUND PAPERS