

TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL

CABINET – 20 OCTOBER 2011

REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES 2011/12

REPORT OF THE HEAD OF GOVERNANCE

PART A) – SUMMARY REPORT

1. SUMMARY OF MAIN PROPOSALS

To consider a change in the representation to the Telford & Wrekin Local Access Forum, and to appoint representatives to Age Concern Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin and to Telford & Wrekin Citizens Advice Bureau – Management Board.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That the Cabinet Member: Leisure & Well-being be appointed to the Telford & Wrekin Local Access Forum until November 2012;

2.2 That replacement representatives be appointed to Age Concern Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin and to Telford & Wrekin Citizens Advice Bureau – Management Board.

3. SUMMARY IMPACT ASSESSMENT

COMMUNITY IMPACT	Do these proposals contribute to specific Priority Plan objective(s)?	
	No	Not applicable
	Will the proposals impact on specific groups of people?	
	No	Not applicable
TARGET COMPLETION/DELIVERY DATE	Not applicable	
FINANCIAL/VALUE FOR MONEY IMPACT	No	Not applicable
LEGAL ISSUES	No	Not applicable
OTHER IMPACTS, RISKS & OPPORTUNITIES	No	Not applicable
IMPACT ON SPECIFIC WARDS	No	Not applicable

PART B) – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

4. INFORMATION

4.1 Local Access Forum

4.2 Telford & Wrekin Local Access Forum provides advice to Telford & Wrekin Council (and the Countryside Agency and other bodies specified in S94(4) of the CROW Act if required to do so) on how to improve public access to land for open-air recreation and enjoyment of the area.

4.3 At its last meeting, the Forum amended its Terms of Reference to provide for two Elected Member representatives from Telford & Wrekin Council, one of whom should be the relevant Cabinet Member.

4.4 Councillors S. Bentley and T.J Hope were re-appointed in November 2010 as the Council's representatives to the Local Access Forum for a two year term ending in November 2012. Councillor Bentley's membership of the Forum has ceased (for being absent from meetings for at least 12 months), and it is therefore proposed that he be replaced by the Cabinet Member for Leisure & Well-Being, who is currently the Cabinet member with responsibility for Rights of Way. This would satisfy the revised requirements of the Forum's terms of reference.

4.5 Age Concern Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin Telford & Wrekin Citizens Advice Bureau – Management Board.

4.6 On 21 June 2011, Councillor F. M. Bould was appointed to represent the Council on the above outside bodies for 2011/12. Councillor Bould has indicated that, due to a change in circumstances, she no longer feels able to continue with these commitments.

4.7 Cabinet is therefore asked to appoint a replacement representative to Age Concern Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin and to Telford & Wrekin Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB) for the remainder of the 2011/12 municipal year. NB: the Council has two representatives on the CAB Management Board, the other being Councillor J. Loveridge.

5.0 PREVIOUS MINUTES

Cabinet – 23 November 2010 (Minute No. CB-96)

Cabinet – 21 June 2011 (Minute No CB-9)

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