

TELFORD & WREKIN COUNCIL

CABINET – 31 MAY 2012

**REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES 2012/13 – ENGLISH SEVERN
& WYE REGIONAL FLOOD & COASTAL COMMITTEE**

**REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: LAW, DEMOCRACY & PUBLIC
PROTECTION**

LEAD CABINET MEMBER – CLLR RICHARD OVERTON

PART A) – SUMMARY REPORT

1. SUMMARY OF MAIN PROPOSALS

To make a Member appointment to the newly established English Severn and Wye Regional Flood & Coastal Committee.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 That Councillor H. Rhodes be appointed as the Council's representative on the English Severn and Wye Regional Flood & Coastal Committee for 2012/13.

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	Appointments to outside bodies are delegated to the Leader and Cabinet Executive
OTHER IMPACTS, RISKS & OPPORTUNITIES	No	Not applicable
IMPACT ON SPECIFIC WARDS	No	Not applicable

PART B) – ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

4. INFORMATION

- 4.1 The English Severn and Wye Regional Flood & Coastal Committee (RFCC) has been established by the Environment Agency under the Flood and Water Management Act 2010, and replaces the former Severn Trent RFCC. The main purpose of the new RFCC is to:
- ensure there are coherent plans for identifying, communicating and managing flood and coastal erosion risks across catchments and shorelines
 - promote efficient, targeted and risk-based investment in flood and coastal erosion risk management that optimises value for money and benefits for local communities
 - provide a link between the Environment Agency, Lead Local Flood Authorities, other risk management authorities, and other relevant bodies to engender mutual understanding of flood and coastal erosion risks in its area.
- 4.2 The new RFCC consists of a chair appointed by the Minister for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs, eight Local Authority representatives, and six persons appointed by the Environment Agency. As a Lead Local Flood Authority, Telford & Wrekin is entitled to appoint one representative to the new RFCC.
- 4.3 The main list of appointments to outside bodies for 2012/13 will be considered by Cabinet at its 28 June meeting. However, this appointment is being considered before then because the Environment Agency has requested confirmation of the Council's appointee to the RFCC by 1 June. Group Leaders have been asked to submit any nominations for this appointment. One nomination, for Councillor Hilda Rhodes, has been received.

5.0 PREVIOUS MINUTES

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

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