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Policy & Resources Committee

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Subject: Council Memorial Board

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Consideration be given to a number of options for Purpose / Summary: a memorial board, following a Motion to Council in

January 2014.

RECOMMENDATION(S): That the Policy and Resources Committee agree that, of the three options presented in the report, Option 3 provides the best value for a memorial board for Councillors who have died in service.

IMPLICATIONS

Legal: None				
Financial : FIN/111/14 Costs for the three options considered are as set out in the report. Additional options were considered however the ones set out in the report utilise the services of the provider of the existing board and nameplates. To send the nameplates elsewhere could not guarantee to match the design.				
To be met from existing budgets, no procurement process required.				
Staffing : None				
Equality and Diversity including Human Rights : None				
Risk Assessment : N/A				
Climate Related Risks and Opportunities : N/A				
Title and Location of any Background Papers used in the preparation report:	of this			
None				
Call in and Urgency:				
Is the decision one which Rule 14.7 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules a	apply?			
i.e. is the report exempt from being called in due to urgency (in consultation with C&I chairman) Yes				
Key Decision:				
A matter which affects two or more wards, or has significant financial implications Yes				

1 Introduction

- 1.1 At the Council meeting on 27 January 2014 Councillor David Cotton proposed the following motion.
 - (a) Madame Chairman,

As you know I approached yourself and Councillor Caine some weeks ago with the idea of having an, In-Memorium Board in the Council on which to remember those councillors who sadly pass away while in service.

This of course has been brought home to us all in the past months with the sad passing of Chris and William. We have actually lost four councillors in little over a year.

My idea is that such a board would be similar to that which the Chairmen and Chief Executives names are placed, but with the dates of their service.

I would make it clear I do not envisage this being for those former councillors who sadly pass away after leaving the council.

Those who pass away while in service are often working as councillors up to the time of their passing; this has certainly been the case with Councillors Sellars, Starkey, Underwood Frost and Parry, all of who were working almost to the end of their lives.

We have other names in the history of the Council as well, Councillor George Greenaway, and Councillor Keith Whaley to name two and there are perhaps others I am not familiar with, being before my time as a councillor.

I would therefore move, hopefully with the support of the Councillors that such a memorial board is investigated and costing obtained and the board be hung in a prominent place in the Guildhall.

The Chairman of Council responded stating that costs were being worked on and the design and estimate would be compiled into a report for submission to the Policy and Resources Committee. It was noted that the list of names totalled 16 since 1974, when West Lindsey District Council had been formed. It was suggested that it would be fitting if the board could be completed in time for the WLDC 40th anniversary.

RESOLVED that designs and costs for a memorial board be submitted to the Policy and Resources Committee for approval.

1.2 The following sets out a number of available options.



Current layout – 45 available spaces for Chairmen, plus 10 for Chief Executives.

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<u>Option 1</u> – Commission another board to be constructed to match the existing board, with Crest plate at the top. The cost of this would be £2,498 including 16 engraved name plates.



<u>Option 2</u> – Use the existing board. Add another heading at the top of the 3rd column – 'Died in Service'. Currently 18 available spaces. This would still leave 27 years for Chairmen. Chief Executives could even be moved down a few spaces as turnover is less frequent. Then the only cost would be engraving of the existing plates @ £768

	West Lindsey District Coul Chairmen	ncil		
Chairmen				
		Died in Service		
		Chief Executives		

Option 3 – Use existing board with the layout as below. Cost of £768 for engraving of nameplates as above with some rearrangement of existing plates.

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