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AGENDA

Prayers will be conducted prior to the start of the meeting. Members are welcome to attend.

**Notice** is hereby given that a Meeting of the Council will be held in the Council Chamber - The Guildhall, , on **Monday, 24th June, 2024 at 7.00 pm,** and your attendance at such meeting is hereby requested to transact the following business.

# **To: Members of West Lindsey District Council**

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
- MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING To confirm and sign as a correct record the Minutes of Annual General Meeting of Full Council held on 13 May 2024. (PAGES 4 - 17)
- MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Members may make any declarations of interest at this point and may also make them at any point during the meeting.
- MATTERS ARISING
  Setting out the current position of previously agreed actions as at 14 June 2024. (PAGES 18 - 19)
- PUBLIC QUESTION TIME Questions, if received, under this Scheme will be published by way of supplement following closure of the deadline.

# (TO FOLLOW)

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6. QUESTIONS PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 9 Questions, if received, under this Scheme will be published by way of supplement following closure of the deadline.

### (TO FOLLOW)

- 7. MOTIONS PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE NO. 10 No Motions submitted for this meeting.
- 8. REPORTS FOR DETERMINATION
  - Adoption of the Scothern Neighbourhood Plan Review
    Report will be published as a supplement following the Referendum on 20 June 2024.

### (TO FOLLOW)

b. Review of the Allocation of Seats to Political Groups on Committee / Sub-Committees

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- c. Appointment of Committees (PAGES 31 36)
- Appointment of Committee Chairmen and Vice Chairmen
  (PAGES 37 40)
- e. Amendments to the Appointments to Outside Bodies and Working Groups (PAGES 41 47)

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Ian Knowles Head of Paid Service The Guildhall Gainsborough

Friday, 14 June 2024

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# Agenda Item 2

West Lindsey District Council - 13 May 2024

# WEST LINDSEY DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of the 50<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of Council held in the Council Chamber - The Guildhall on 13 May 2024 at 7.00 pm.

# Present:Councillor Stephen Bunney (Chairman)Councillor Matthew Boles (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Emma Bailey Councillor Owen Bierley Councillor Mrs Jackie Brockway Councillor Frazer Brown Councillor Christopher Darcel Councillor Jacob Flear Councillor Sabastian Hague Councillor Paul Key Councillor Paul Key Councillor Lynda Mullally Councillor Lynda Mullally Councillor Roger Patterson Councillor Mrs Lesley Rollings Councillor Jim Snee Councillor Paul Swift Councillor Moira Westley Councillor Eve Bennett Councillor Trevor Bridgwood Councillor Liz Clews Councillor Karen Carless Councillor David Dobbie Councillor David Dobbie Councillor Ian Fleetwood Councillor Paul Howitt-Cowan Councillor Paul Howitt-Cowan Councillor Paul Lee Councillor Peter Morris Councillor Peter Morris Councillor Roger Pilgrim Councillor Roger Pilgrim Councillor Tom Smith Councillor Mrs Mandy Snee Councillor Baptiste Velan Councillor Trevor Young

### In Attendance:

lan Knowles Lisa Langdon	Chief Executive Assistant Director People and Democratic (Monitoring Officer)
Katie Storr	Democratic Services & Elections Team Manager
Claire Stockdale	Civic Engagement & Member Development Officer

# Apologies

Councillor John Barrett Councillor Adam Duguid Councillor Mrs Angela Lawrence Councillor Mrs Diana Rodgers

# 1 OUTGOING CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

The outgoing Chairman, Councillor Stephen Bunney, formally opened the meeting and welcomed Members to the second year of the four-year term and the start of the 2024 – 2025 civic year.

The Chairman thanked The Reverend David Cotton for his prayers prior to the meeting and asked the Chamber to have in their thoughts the Director of Resources, Emma Foy, and her

family on their recent bereavement, speaking of the importance of the family and the support they offer.

### 2 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made at this point in the meeting.

# 3 TO ELECT A CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR THE 2024/25 CIVIC YEAR

Before commencing the process of electing a new Chairman, the outgoing Chairman addressed Council and reflected on the past year in office, sharing some of the highlights.

Being Chair, Councillor Bunney considered, had allowed him to travel the district in a different capacity, visiting people, and not just in his own ward. It had been fascinating visiting a number of businesses, a number of environmental projects and a number of schools but he considered there was still more to do. He was amazed by just how much was going on across the district stating that "whilst you might think we know, sometimes it was the case we didn't" and that had been one of the real benefits and privileges of holding office. It had been the connecting and seeing the everyday people, contributing to their communities in small ways to make a great place which had been of greatest pleasure. Referring to a famous Quaker who wrote a poem ending, "the truth comes from the still small voice of calm", he likened this to his own experience, visiting communities of the district, seeing the individual bits of what may seem small work come together to actually show what a good community the district was. Whilst it had been an honour and he had been proud of living in West Lindsey over the last 30 years, and in Market Rasen particularly, being Chairman he saw even more how the contributions made by individuals in their calm approach, shone through. It was this overriding message he had taken away from his year in Office.

Concluding his outgoing speech, Councillor Bunney sought nominations for the position of Chairman of Council.

It was proposed and seconded that Councillor Stephen Bunney be re-appointed the Chairman of Council for the civic year 2024/25, with both the proposer and seconder congratulating and thanking Councillor Bunney for his work and support throughout the year.

No further nominations were made and on being put to the vote the motion was carried and it was therefore: -

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Stephen Bunney be elected Chairman of the Council for the 2024/25 civic year.

Councillor Bunney retained the Chain of Office, signed the statutory declaration of acceptance of office in the presence of the Head of Paid Service, and resumed the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

In accepting the role, Councillor Bunney advised that it was an honour to be re-elected as

Chairman for the coming year and that he was looking forward to the forthcoming year in office and to meeting many more people from the district, throughout Lincolnshire and beyond. Councillor Bunney undertook to uphold the good name of West Lindsey in all the duties carried out as Chairman of the Council.

### 4 TO ELECT A VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE DISTRICT COUNCIL FOR THE 2024/25 CIVIC YEAR

Nominations were sought for the position of Vice-Chairman of Council, with Councillor Matthew Boles being proposed and seconded.

There being no further nominations it was:

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Matthew Boles be re-elected Vice-Chairman of the Council for the 2024/25 civic year.

Councillor Boles made and signed the statutory declaration of acceptance of office, in the presence of the Head of Paid Service.

The Chairman of the Council congratulated Councillor Boles on his re-appointment, inviting him to make a short address. Councillor Boles thanked those who had supported him and looked forward to another year of supporting Councillor Bunney in his role. It was an honour and privilege.

There followed a round of applause.

# 5 CHAIRMAN'S CHAPLAIN

The Chairman made a vote of thanks to his Chaplain, The Reverend David Cotton, for presiding over his term of Office.

In reply, The Reverend Cotton spoke of the great honour it had been serving as Chaplain. Having sat on Council benches for 23 years, and acting as stand-in Chaplain on many an occasion, to be asked to hold the role formally had been a privilege and he had greatly enjoyed his time, including the Civic Carol Service.

The Chairman advised the meeting that he had asked The Reverend Cotton to continue in his capacity as Chairman's Chaplain and could think of no-one more fitting to lead the Civic Service which would be taking place during the year to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of West Lindsey District Council.

The Reverend Cotton was honoured to accept the role, with the Chairman presenting him with flowers to a round of applause from the Chamber.

This concluded the civic part of the proceedings for the evening with Members invited to join the Chairman for refreshments after the meeting.

# 6 TO ELECT A LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Nominations for the position of Leader had been sought in accordance with Article 6 of the Constitution, with only one nomination having been received.

Councillor Trevor Young had been proposed and seconded.

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Trevor Young be elected Leader of the Council for the 2024/25 civic year.

Councillor Young addressed Council and expressed his thanks at having being appointed and made the following short address : -

"Council Members, Officers, and residents of West Lindsey District Council, I am honoured to stand before you today, as the Leader of this great Council. I express my great sincere gratitude to all those who have supported the Administration in this past year, changes in our own Administration, present challenges, and opportunities. I sincerely thank all those who have worked positively with us to ensure that we focus on new priorities whilst continuing to drive forward the existing work and projects of the Council that it undertakes. I am particularly proud that this Council is undertaking the work around the former RAF Scampton, a sign as an Administration we took a bold stance to challenge the Government when it made a sudden decision to use the site to house 2000 asylum seekers. The proposal has caused significant concern to those in our communities, and we are concerned. We were also concerned that the £300 million project could have been scuppered and the heritage assets destroyed. It was clear from the start of this project, we have the potential to transform opportunities in West Lindsey, so it's very much worth fighting for.

We continue to strive for excellence in all that we do from delivering essential services through fostering economic growth and development, and we have worked hard and been committed to additional funding to ensure that the project to build a new cinema and make improvements to Whitton's Gardens, the Baltic Mill and the Town Centre stays on track.

We are now seeing improvements to the bus station and the impact of the townscape. Heritage fund work, creating a sense of quality, restoring 20 of our heritage buildings in Gainsborough and other heritage projects across the district.

Our work to introduce the weekly antiques market in Gainsborough is proving popular and we are seeing footfall in the market square in Gainsborough increase, as well as the empty shops gradually being filled.

We also see working with key partners as hugely important to achieve the best outcomes for our communities. Several parts of our district have been badly affected by flooding and we continue to work with our partners in the Environment Agency and Lincolnshire County Council to ensure that funding is dedicated, to ensure that the devastating effects of flooding are minimised going forward. Connecting with our communities and the businesses that sit within them is of key importance. Understanding those businesses and the challenges they face will continue to be a priority. We have delivered £719,000 in grants to businesses, another £650,000 towards community grants and a further £65,000 to support vulnerable communities. We have taken forward a new Cultural Strategy and we are in the process of employing both a new Cultural Development Officer and a new Sports Development Officer who will help drive participation in the sports and arts.

Communities, it is our aim that engagement in activities will form the bedrock of the events in the district going forward and help communities become more active and vibrant places where people feel supported, happy and they want to live.

We have employed two extra Enforcement Officers to ensure that the issues important to our communities are dealt with and we will continue to strive for excellence in all that we do, listening to our communities, and looking towards making improvements in our service provision where necessary. Thank you."

The Leader of the Opposition commented in response and was pleased the current Administration, having been in post just over a year, were continuing to implement the projects which had been in place over a year. He credited Officers for their excellent work and for the support they had given, citing the Chief Executive, Mr Knowles, Sally Grindrod-Smith and other senior Officers, stating that without whom, Scampton would be in a potentially different environment. Thanks were also given to the local MP.

The Leader using his right to reply, spoke highly of the fantastic Officer team and of the work they continued to undertake to support Members, in respect of Scampton, having only that day again visited Ministers in London, following successful meetings the previous week. He appreciated the Council had some excellent Officers who continually work hard and indicated he wholeheartedly shared the Leader of the Opposition's thoughts on the matter.

### 7 TO ELECT A DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Nominations were sought for the position of Deputy Leader, with Councillor Mrs Lesley Rollings being proposed and seconded.

No further nominations were made.

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Mrs Lesley Rollings be elected Deputy Leader of the Council for the 2024/25 civic year.

Having been congratulated by the Chairman, Councillor Mrs Rollings was invited to address Council. She expressed her thanks at having been appointed and made the following short address: -

"Thank you Chairman, and thank you to everyone who has supported us as an Administration, thank you in particular to the new Councillors that we have who

have hit the floor running, got involved and been so brilliant and active in their communities, taking a keen interest, you really have been very, very committed, and that's very impressive.

Like the Leader of the Opposition said, our Officers have been supportive and what a great job they've been doing, and he is absolutely right that when there is a change of Administration, there's a lot of the work that is already going along, a lot of these big projects had already started off.

But we have supported them, in the midst of a cost-of-living crisis which has posed challenges for some of those projects in terms of some funding challenges. Despite which we have stuck with it and supported the work that had gone on in this Council previously. We are really pleased that the Officers have done us a great job. Working closely alongside Sally Grindrod-Smith in recent weeks has been impressive and we are working together to try and get things on that site [Scampton], pushing forward for more gains on that site so that we can really start using that site to develop it as originally intended. The development is going to make a massive difference, probably the biggest difference to our communities in a generation, it will be phenomenal, so it has been a real team effort."

She concluded her address offering genuine appreciation for the support received from all the Officers, commenting on how they had assisted newer Members with patience and understanding and supported the new administration in bringing forward new ideas.

# 8 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Having been proposed and seconded, it was: -

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Meeting of Full Council held on 8 April 2024, be confirmed, approved and signed as a correct record.

### 9 REVIEW OF THE ALLOCATION OF SEATS TO POLITICAL GROUPS COMMITTEES/SUB-COMMITTEES

The Chairman presented the report which set out details of the political groups on the Council, the number of Members to be appointed to serve on each Committee, and the allocation of seats on each of the Committees based on political groupings, noting the review was borne from the Council's commitment to review the balance annually at its Annual General Meeting. No changes had arisen within the Groups since the last review in May 2023 which would impact political balance, however notification had been received by the Head of Paid Service as to a change of Group Leader for the Lincolnshire Independents' Group, set out at section 1.4 of the report.

This was a matter which had been determined by the Head of Paid Service under his delegated authority, in Consultation with the Group Leaders, and as such, there was no requirement for a vote.

With no questions posed, the following was DULY NOTED: -

- (a) the details of the political groups, as set out in Appendix A of the report,
- (b) the number of Members to be appointed to serve on each committee and sub-committee; and
- (c) the allocation to different political groups of seats on committees/subcommittees, as set out in Appendix B of the report.

### 10 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES FOR THE CIVIC YEAR 2024/25

The Chairman of the Council presented the report which set out the wishes expressed by the political groups in respect of the appointment of Members to serve on each of the Council's formal Committees for the 2024/25 Civic Year.

Noting the Opposition Group had one vacant seat on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Lincolnshire Independent Group had one vacant seat on the Planning Committee, each were given the opportunity to state a nomination for their respective vacancies but declined to make a nomination.

The Leader of the Council advised the meeting there was one change he wished to make to his Group's nominations since the report had been published, this being to replace Councillor Jeanette McGhee on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, with Councillor Eve Bennett.

It was confirmed that Council did not need to vote on this matter as the seat belonged to the Group.

Noting a revision to the seating arrangements in the Chamber, and the verbal amendment made by the Leader to his committee allocations, the Leader of the Opposition questioned whether the political balance of the committees was in fact correct.

The Monitoring Officer addressed the meeting and advised that a notification had been received that morning which may have an impact on the political balance of the Council. Given its timing this notification would be taken into regard and a report would be submitted to Full Council in June updating the political balance of the organisation and seeking to reappoint the Committees as necessary.

On that basis having been proposed and seconded it was

**RESOLVED** that in accordance with the provisions of section 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, and the wishes expressed by political groups, and updated verbally at the meeting, Members be appointed to serve on the Council's Committees for the 2024/25 civic year as follows: -

### **Chief Officer Employment Committee (9 Members)**

Councillor Owen Bierley Councillor Mrs Jackie Brockway Councillor Stephen Bunney Councillor Paul Lee Councillor Peter Morris Councillor Mrs Lesley Rollings Councillor Mrs Mandy Snee Councillor Moira Westley Councillor Trevor Young

### **Corporate Policy and Resources Committee (11 Members)**

Councillor Owen Bierley Councillor Matthew Boles Councillor Frazer Brown Councillor Stephen Bunney Councillor Ian Fleetwood Councillor Roger Patterson Councillor Mrs Lesley Rollings Councillor Tom Smith Councillor Mrs Mandy Snee Councillor Paul Swift Councillor Trevor Young

### Governance and Audit Committee (9 Members)

Councillor Stephen Bunney Councillor Mrs Jackie Brockway Councillor Christopher Darcel Councillor David Dobbie Councillor Sabastian Hague Councillor Mrs Angela Lawrence Councillor Lynda Mullally Councillor Roger Pilgrim Councillor Baptiste Velan

### Licensing Committee (11 Members)

Councillor John Barrett Councillor Eve Bennett Councillor Trevor Bridgwood Councillor Liz Clews Councillor David Dobbie Councillor Mrs Angela Lawrence Councillor Paul Lee Councillor Maureen Palmer Councillor Jim Snee Councillor Mrs Mandy Snee Councillor Baptiste Velan

### **Regulatory Committee (11 Members)**

Councillor John Barrett Councillor Eve Bennett Councillor Trevor Bridgwood Councillor Liz Clews Councillor David Dobbie Councillor Mrs Angela Lawrence Councillor Paul Lee Councillor Maureen Palmer Councillor Jim Snee Councillor Mrs Mandy Snee Councillor Baptiste Velan

### Planning Committee (11 Members)

Councillor Emma Bailey Councillor John Barrett Councillor Matthew Boles Councillor Karen Carless Councillor David Dobbie Councillor Ian Fleetwood Councillor Sabastian Hague Councillor Sabastian Hague Councillor Peter Morris Councillor Tom Smith Councillor Jim Snee 1 x Vacant seat – allocated to the Lincolnshire Independent Group

### Prosperous Communities Committee (11 Members)

Councillor Emma Bailey Councillor Owen Bierley Councillor Frazer Brown Councillor Stephen Bunney Councillor Karen Carless Councillor Jacob Flear Councillor Paul Lee Councillor Roger Patterson Councillor Mrs Diana Rodgers Councillor Mrs Lesley Rollings Councillor Trevor Young

### **Overview and Scrutiny Committee (11 members)**

Councillor Eve Bennett Councillor Trevor Bridgwood Councillor Liz Clews Councillor Jacob Flear Councillor Paul Howitt-Cowan Councillor Paul Key Councillor Paul Key Councillor Lynda Mullally Councillor Maureen Palmer Councillor Roger Pilgrim Councillor Moira Westley 1 x Vacant Seat – allocated to the Opposition Group

### 11 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR THE 2024/25 CIVIC YEAR AND TO AGREE THE NORMAL COMMENCEMENT TIME FOR EACH COMMITTEE.

Having re-appointed the Committees, the report under consideration sought to appoint Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen to each of the Committees and for Council to agree the normal commencement time for each meeting.

The Leader of the Council put forward an amendment to the paper, in relation to the Vice-Chairmanship of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, seeking to remove Councillor Jeanette McGhee replacing her with Councillor Moira Westley. No counter nominations were made.

The Leader of Opposition noted that the report also recommended that the number of Vice-Chairmanships on the Corporate Policy and Resources Committee be increased to two and sought to understand the impact of this on the Council's budget.

Referring Members to the financial implications section of the report, the Monitoring Officer advised that the allowance would be shared until the matter had been further considered by the Independent Remuneration Panel in due course and appropriate recommendations made if deemed necessary and as such had no impact on the budget currently.

On that basis, with no questions, having been proposed and seconded including the verbal amendment detailed above, it was

### RESOLVED that: -

- (a) the number of Vice-Chairmanships on the Corporate Policy and Resources Committee be increased from one to two;
- (b) the following persons be appointed as Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen, for the 2024/25 Civic Year to the following Committees:

Committee	Chairman	Vice Chairman/men	Normal Start Time
Chief Officer	Councillor Moira	Councillor Mandy	Meetings to be
Employment	Westley	Snee	convened as and
Committee			when required
Corporate Policy	Councillor Trevor	Councillor Lesley	6.30pm
and Resources	Young	Rollings	
Committee		Councillor Paul Swift	
Planning	Councillor Matt	Councillor Jim Snee	6.30pm
Committee	Boles		
Governance and	Councillor	Councillor David	2.00pm
Audit Committee	Stephen Bunney	Dobbie	
		Councillor Velan	
		Baptiste	
*Licensing	Councillor Jim	Councillor Mandy	6.30pm
Committee	Snee	Snee	
Overview and	Councillor Paul	Councillor Jacob Flear	6.30pm
Scrutiny	Howitt-Cowan	Councillor Moira	
Committee		Westley	
*Regulatory	Councillor Jim	Councillor Mandy	6.30pm
Committee	Snee	Snee	
Prosperous	Lesley Rollings	Councillor Trevor	6.30pm
Communities		Young	
Committee		Councillor Emma	
		Bailey	

(c) that the normal commencement time for each of the Committees be as set out in the table at (b) above.

# 12 REVISIONS TO APPOINTMENTS ON OUTSIDE BODIES

The Chairman of the Council presented the report which sought to revise the appointment of Members to serve on Working Groups and Outside Bodies, to which Council had appointed for a four-year period, at their previous year's AGM. Specifically, it was sought to revise the appointment to the Central Lincolnshire Joint Strategic Planning Committee.

Council was asked to appoint Councillor Stephen Bunney to replace Councillor Jim Snee on the above body.

The Leader of the Council sought to make further amendments to the wider list of bodies at appendix one of the report, and moved the following proposal: -

### Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire

Councillor Moira Westley to be the Member appointed and Councillor Lynda Mullally be the appointed reserve Member.

### Housing, Health & Care Delivery Group

Councillor Lesley Rollings, in her capacity as Chairman of the Prosperous Communities Committee, to be the Member appointed.

### Lincoln Dial-a-Ride

Councillor Baptiste Velan to be the Member appointed.

The amendment was duly seconded. With no comments, on being put to the vote, the amendment was carried.

On that basis having been moved and seconded, as amended, it was

### RESOLVED that: -

- (a) Councillor Stephen Bunney be appointed to the Central Lincolnshire Joint Strategic Planning Committee until Annual Council May 2027 in replacement of Councillor Jim Snee.
- (b) Councillor Moira Westley be appointed to the Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire until Annual Council May 2027 and Councillor Lynda Mullally be appointed as reserve Member for the same period;
- (c) Councillor Lesley Rollings, in her capacity as Chairman of the Prosperous Communities Committee be appointed to the Housing, Health & Care Delivery Group until Annual Council May 2027 in replacement of Councillor Jeanette McGhee; and
- (d) Councillor Baptiste Velan be appointed to Lincoln Dial-a-Ride until Annual Council May 2027 in replacement of Councillor Jeanette McGhee

### 13 RECOMMENDATION FROM THE GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE -MONITORING OFFICER ANNUAL REPORT 2023/24 AND APPOINTMENTS TO LAY POSITIONS

The Chairman of Council, in his capacity as Chairman of the Governance and Audit Committee, introduced the report which had been recommended from his Committee at their meeting on 16 April 2024.

The Monitoring Officer's Annual report aimed to provide an overview of governance matters. The report had historically been accompanied by the Annual Review of the Constitution, including any proposed amendments to the Financial and Contract Procedure Rules. An alternative approach had been taken for the 2023/2024 review period, details of which were in the report together with the anticipated timeline for the outcomes to be reported.

Finally, the report sought approval of a number of appointments to lay positions following a recruitment process.

The Chairman moved the recommendations which were duly seconded. With no questions, on being put to the vote it was: -

### RESOLVED that: -

- (a) the recommendation from the Governance and Audit Committee be accepted and the information contained with the Monitoring Officer's Annual Report, including the intentions in respect of the pending Constitutional Review be received and endorsed; and
- (b) the recommendation from the Governance and Audit Committee be accepted and the appointments to lay positions as follows, be approved: -
  - (i) the appointment of Mr Richard Harvey as a Member of the Independent Remuneration Panel until Annual Council May 2028 (Section 5.1 of the report)
  - the appointment of Mr Andrew Middleton as an Independent Person, assisting with Code of Conduct issues, until Annual Council May 2028 (Section 5.2 of the report)
  - (iii) the appointment of Parish Councillor Elizabeth Hillman as Parish Councillor Representative on the Standards Committee until Annual Council May 2028 (Section 5.3 of the report).

### 14 OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2023/24

The outgoing Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee presented his Committee's Annual Report to Full Council.

In doing so, he spoke of how the Committee had worked well together over the past year and how he looked forward to continuing successes in the new Civic Year.

The Committee had received presentations from several outside agencies, including the return of Everyone Active, Inspector Head from Lincolnshire Police and a very informative session from Rachel Stamp of Lincolnshire County Council regarding the continued success of the purple lidded bins.

The Committee had again been involved in the review of the Progress and Delivery measure set and there had been the continuation of the Performance Improvement Plans, which were implemented under the guidance of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee back in 2022.

The Chairman took the opportunity to highlight to wider Members, the excellent scrutiny training the Committee and any interested Members had received from Bethan Evans *(Governance Training and Consultancy Ltd).* The Committee had found the session invaluable. Also supporting the Committee in its role had been the introduction of a handbook developed by Officers. This had proven of great value as a training aid, and a copy was appended to the report for information.

Finally, the Chairman of the Committee extended his thanks to everyone involved in the Committee, both Members and Officers, as well as those the Committee had welcomed to present from outside of the Council.

He concluded his introduction by moving the recommendation, which was duly seconded.

Reference the Committee's Operating Methodology, Opposition Members sought to understand why the number of pre-scrutiny items had been limited to four and were advised that this allowed the work plan to be managed to a degree. It had historically been two and in recent years increased to four. No changes to the number in year. Members of the Committee reviewed the Methodology annually and were at liberty to re-visit that number. In further responding the Chief Executive also highlighted to Members that as a full committee system, there was no statutory requirement for West Lindsey District Council to have a scrutiny committee, with scrutiny being undertaken at every meeting, given the politically balanced make-up of all decision-making bodies across the Council, unlike those operating in Cabinet and Executive Models.

On being put to the vote it was: -

**RESOLVED** that the Annual Report from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee be received and noted.

# 15 CLOSING REMARKS

In closing the meeting, the Chairman advised of a number of special events and activities planned throughout the year for residents, Members, communities and staff to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> year of West Lindsey. He looked forward to seeing people engage in and support the celebrations.

Members were again invited to join him for light refreshments.

The meeting concluded at 7.59 pm.

Chairman

### Purpose:

To consider progress on the matters arising from previous Council meetings.

**Recommendation:** That Members note progress on the matters arising and request corrective action if necessary.

### Matters arising Schedule

Status	Title	Action Required	Comments	Due Date	Allocated To
Green	Public Participation Schemes - Review of	AGM Mtg 23/5/23 When considering the Annual Review of Constitution, the Leader advised the Administration would wish to undertake a fundamental review of the participation schemes in year	Initial conversation to be held at Chairs Brief as to how the Group would like to proceed – on hold	(blank)	Katie Storr
J		Scope and time line of this work to be discussed with Administration			
Green	Motion - Lobbying of LNER	Please undertake action to fulfil Council resolution below. Please outline what action has been taken.	Extract from Mins of Mtg 6 /11/23 - RESOLVED unanimously that the District Council lobby LNER, seeking support from all statutory partners, to assess the viability of Barnetby being included in the direct run from Cleethorpes, passing through Market Rasen, to London.	30/06/24	Grant White
			Officers are arranging a meeting with LNER to obtain the latest details of the potential new Cleethorpes to London service. This includes understanding which stations will and will not be included as stopping points. Once this is clarified officers will establish a lobbying strategy as required. Due date revised.		
Black	members allowances 24/25	following approval of new scheme at Council in Jan 24 Statutory notices to be prepared notify the decision made.	Notice completed. new scheme programme to published on 1 April	01/04/24	Katie Storr
		New scheme be published by 1 April when rates become effective			

reen	Motion to Council - explore options to increase our road sweeping capability, including the feasibility and financial	Council to b considered will be repo arising for i
	implications.	

and outcome of Motion - Outcome orted through Council matters information

be advised when the motion is to be I therefore call upon this Council to support me in requesting that the Prosperous Communities Committee explore options to increase our road sweeping capability, including the feasibility and financial implications. - Motion was referred without debate.

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# Agenda Item 8b



Council

Monday 24 June 2024

# Subject: Review Of The Allocation Of Seats To Political Groups On Committees/Sub -Committees

Report by:	Monitoring Officer
Contact Officer:	Katie Storr Democratic and Elections Manager and Deputy Monitoring Officer katie.storr@west-lindsey.gov.uk
Purpose / Summary:	This report sets out the details of the political groups on the Council, the number of Members to be appointed to serve on each committee and the allocation to different political groups of seats on the committees.

### **RECOMMENDATION(S)**:

- 1) that the details of political groups, as set out in Appendix A, be noted;
- 2) that the number of Members to be appointed to serve on each Committee, arising from the Head of Paid Service's delegated decision, be noted; and
- that the allocation to different political groups of seats on committees, as set out in Appendix B, arising from the Head of Paid Service's delegated decision, be noted.

### IMPLICATIONS

### Legal:

Council is required to review the allocation to different political groups of seats on committees and sub-committees, in accordance with the provisions of Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, when either a trigger is met (election, resignation change in Group Membership) or at least annually at its annual meeting as set out in the Constitution.

This review is borne out of due notice being received from Councillor Jeanette McGhee on 13 May that she no longer wishes to be a member of the Liberal Democrat Administration and wishes to sit as an unaligned Independent Councillor.

#### Financial :

None directly arising as a result of this report.

### Staffing :

None directly arising as a result of this report.

### Equality and Diversity including Human Rights :

None directly arising as a result of this report.

### Data Protection Implications :

None directly arising as a result of this report.

### **Climate Related Risks and Opportunities :**

None directly arising as a result of this report.

### Section 17 Crime and Disorder Considerations :

None directly arising as a result of this report.

### Health Implications:

# Title and Location of any Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

Working Papers and Options considered in May 2024 held by Democratic Services.

Notice to Head of Paid Service advising of wish to leave Administration Group

#### **Risk Assessment :**

### Call in and Urgency:

### Is the decision one which Rule 14.7 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules apply?

i.e. is the report exempt from being called in due to urgency (in consultation with C&I chairman)	Yes	No
Key Decision:		
A matter which affects two or more wards, or has significant financial implications	Yes	No

### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 In accordance with the provisions of Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, the Council is required to review the allocation to different political groups of seats on committees and sub-committees.
- 1.2 The last review of the allocations took place in May 2023 following the all-out District Elections with a further review (resulting in no changes) been undertaken in May 2024 honouring the Council's commitment in its Constitution to, at each Annual Meeting, review the allocation of seats to political groups in accordance with the political balance rules.
- 1.3 This review is borne out of due notice being received from Councillor Jeanette McGhee on 13 May that she no longer wishes to be a member of the Liberal Democrat Administration and wishes to sit as an unaligned Independent Councillor.
- 1.4 Existing political groups for the purposes of the Local Government (Committees & Political Groups) Regulations 1990 are as follows:

Group	No. of Members	Leader	Deputy
The Liberal Democrat Administration Group	18	Councillor Trevor Young	Councillor Lesley Rollings
The Opposition Group	15	Councillor Ian Fleetwood	Councillor Roger Patterson
The Lincolnshire Independent	2	Councillor Paul Key	Councillor Chris Darcel

- 1.5 The Council currently has one unaligned Independent member
- 1.6 The Council has delegated authority to the Head of Paid Service to agree, following consultation with the Group Leaders, the overall allocation of seats to groups resulting from the application of rounding.
- 1.7 Full details of group membership are set out in Appendix A.

### 2. The Allocations

2.1 In accordance with the provisions of section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (Duty to allocate seats to political groups), the Page 23 Council is required to give effect, so far as reasonably practicable, to the following specified principles:

- (a) that not all the seats on a Committee/Sub-Committee are allocated to the same political group;
- (b) that the majority of the seats on a Committee/Sub-Committee are allocated to a particular political group where the number of persons belonging to that group is a majority of the authority's membership;
- (c) subject to paragraphs (a) and (b) above, that the number of seats on the ordinary Committees which are allocated to each political group bears the same proportion to the total of all the seats on the ordinary Committees of that authority as is borne by the number of Members of that group to the membership of the authority;
- (d) subject to paragraphs (a) to (c) above, that the number of seats on the Committee/Sub-Committee which are allocated to each political group bears the same proportion to the number of all the seats on that Committee/Sub-Committee as is borne by the number of members of that group to the membership of the authority.
- 2.2 (b) above applies to a lesser degree as there is no one Group with a majority of seats on the Council. External advice has been undertaken to ensure the application of the rules has been applied equitably.
- 2.3 All of the Group Leaders were consulted on the number of Members to be appointed to serve on the Committees. Any trading required to achieve the mathematical requirement was determined mutually by Group Leaders.
- 2.4 In order to give effect, so far as is reasonably practicable, to the principles specified above and in consultation with Group Leaders as required by the delegation, it has been determined that the best fit to meet the political balance rules is for the: -
  - Planning Committee, Corporate Policy and Resources Committee, Prosperous Communities Committee, and Overview and Scrutiny Committee to comprise 12 Members;
  - Chief Officer Employment Committee and Governance and Audit Committee to comprise 8 Members.
  - Licensing Committee, Regulatory Committee to comprise 11 Members \*
- 2. 5 Applying group numbers to the seats available on the Committees gives the allocation set out in Appendix B, which is supported by the Group Leaders as the most reasonably practical in the circumstances.
- 2.6 \*As agreed as part of the Annual Review of the Constitution during 2017/2018, the same 11 Members comprise both the Licensing Page 24

Committee and the Regulatory Committee. Licensing Committee, and due to the linked nature Regulatory Committee, are the only Committees which fall outside of the Political Balance Rules.

### **APPENDIX A**

Local Government & Housing Act 1989

The Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990

Political Groups on the District Council – June 2024

### Liberal Democrat Administration Group (18 Councillors)

### (Comprising 17 Liberal Democrat Councillors and 1 Independent Councillor)

### Liberal Democrat (17)

**Councillor Emma Bailey** 

Councillor Eve Bennett

**Councillor Matthew Boles** 

Councillor Stephen Bunney

Councillor Karen Carless

**Councillor Liz Clews** 

**Councillor David Dobbie** 

**Councillor Jacob Flear** 

**Councillor Sabastian Hague** 

Councillor Lynda Mullally

Councillor Lesley Rollings

**Councillor Jim Snee** 

**Councillor Mandy Snee** 

**Councillor Paul Swift** 

Councillor Moira Westley

Councillor Baptiste Velan

Councillor Trevor Young

### Independent Councillor

**Councillor Paul Howitt Cowan** 

# The Opposition Group (15 Councillors)

# (Comprising 14 Conservative Councillors and 1 Independent Councillor)

### Conservative (14)

Councillor John Barrett

Councillor Owen Bierley

Councillor Trevor Bridgwood

Councillor Jackie Brockway

**Councillor Frazier Brown** 

Councillor Adam Duguid

Councillor Ian Fleetwood

Councillor Angela Lawrence

**Councillor Paul Lee** 

**Councillor Peter Morris** 

**Councillor Maureen Palmer** 

Councillor Roger Patterson

Councillor Roger Pilgrim

Councillor Tom Smith

### Independent Councillor

**Councillor Diana Rodgers** 

# Lincolnshire Independents Group (2 Councillors)

Councillor Chris Darcel

Councillor Paul Key

# **Unaligned Independent Councillors (1)**

Councillor Jeanette McGhee

### Appendix B

Political Make-up of the Council, on which calculations have been based: -

Political balance on the Council			
Group		No.	%
Lib Dem		18	50.0000%
Conservative		15	41.6667%
Lins Ind		2	5.5556%
Ind		1	2.7778%
Vacant		0	0.0000%
	Council of	36	100%

Number of Seats allocated to each Group based on vary size Committees and rounding applied.

Committee	%	Rounded								
Size	LD	to whole	Con		LI		Ind		Vacant	
18	9.000	0	7.500	0	1.000	0	0.500	0	0.000	0
17	8.500	9	7.083	7	0.944	1	0.472	0	0.000	0
16	8.000	8	6.667	7	0.889	1	0.444	0	0.000	0
15	7.500	8	6.250	6	0.833	1	0.417	0	0.000	0
14	7.000	7	5.833	6	0.778	1	0.389	0	0.000	0
13	6.500	7	5.417	5	0.722	1	0.361	0	0.000	0
12	6.000	6	5.000	5	0.667	1	0.333	0	0.000	0
11	5.500	5	4.583	5	0.611	1	0.306	0	0.000	0
10	5.000	5	4.167	4	0.556	1	0.278	0	0.000	0
9	4.500	4 or 5	3.750	4	0.500	0 or 1	0.250	0	0.000	0
8	4.000	4	3.333	3	0.444	1	0.222	0	0.000	0
7	3.500	4	2.917	3	0.389	0	0.194	0	0.000	0
6	3.000	3	2.500	3	0.333	0	0.167	0	0.000	0
5	2.500	3	2.083	2	0.278	0	0.139	0	0.000	0
4	2.000	2	1.667	2	0.222	0	0.111	0	0.000	0
3	1.500	2	1.250	1	0.167	0	0.083	0	0.000	0

# Selected Committee Size Option and Balance Across Total Number of Ordinary Committee

#### PREFERRED OPTION

Committees (exc O&S)	Places	LD	С	L	Ind	check
Prosperous Communities	12	6	5	1	0	12
Corporate Policy and Resources	12	6	5	1	0	12
Governance and Audit	8	4	3	1	0	8
Planning	12	6	5	1	0	12
Chief Officer Employment	8	4	3	1	0	8
	-					
Total	52.00	26	21	5	0	52
Number of committees requiring variation			Plus 1	Minus 2	Plus 1	
OSC	12	6	5	1	0	12

				%
				comparat
				or of
				whole
GROUP	Proportion	% of C'I	Rounded to whol	e numbers
Lib Dem	26.0000	0.5000	26	0.5
Conservati	21.6667	0.4167	22	0.423077
Lins Ind	2.8889	0.0556	3	0.057692
Ind	1.4444	0.0278	1	0.019231
	52.00		52	

# TABLE 1 - ORDINARY COMMITTEES SPLIT PER GROUP HAVING APPLIEDANY VARIATIONS REQUIRED AS AGREED BY GROUP LEADERS

	LDA	OGrp	LI	UN I	Total
Prosperous Communities (12)	6	5	1		12
Corporate Policy and Resources (12)	6	5	1		11
Governance and Audit (8)	4	3	1		8
Planning (12)	6	6			12
Chief Officer Employment (8)	4	3		1	8
Total no. of seats (52)	26	22	3	1	52

# TABLE 2

WITH POLITICAL BALANCE APPLIED	LDA	OGrp	LI	UN I	Total
Overview and Scrutiny Committee (12)	6	5	1		12

# TABLE 3

	LDA	OGrp	LI	Total
Licensing (11)	6	5		11

Regulatory (11)	6	5		11
Total no. of seats (22)	12	10	0	22

Note the membership of the two committees above has to be identical. Licensing Committees must comprise at least 10 Members

These meetings do not have to be politically balanced



Council

Monday, 24 June 2024

Subject: Appointment Of Civic Year	f Committees for the remainder of the 2024/25
Report by:	Monitoring Officer
Contact Officer:	Katie Storr Democratic Services & Elections Team Manager katie.storr@west-lindsey.gov.uk
Purpose / Summary:	This report sets out the wishes expressed by political groups in respect of the appointment of Members to serve on the Committees of the Council for the remainder of the civic year 2024/2025 as result of the allocations having been amended under Section 15 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

# **RECOMMENDATION(S):**

(1) In accordance with the provisions of section 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the wishes expressed by political groups, Members be appointed to serve on the Council's Committees for the remainder 2024/2025 civic year as set out within this report or provided verbally at the meeting.

### IMPLICATIONS

### Legal:

In accordance with the provisions of section 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and the wishes expressed by political groups

### Financial :

None directly arising from this report

### Staffing :

None directly arising from this report

#### Equality and Diversity including Human Rights :

None directly arising from this report

### **Data Protection Implications :**

None directly arising from this report

### **Climate Related Risks and Opportunities:**

None directly arising from this report

### Section 17 Crime and Disorder Considerations:

None directly arising from this report

### **Health Implications:**

None directly arising from this report

# Title and Location of any Background Papers used in the preparation of this report :

Notices received from the Group Leaders on the allocation of Committee/ Sub-Committee places – documents available from the Guildhall, Gainsborough (on request).

### Risk Assessment :

# Call in and Urgency:

# Is the decision one which Rule 14.7 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules apply?

i.e. is the report exempt from being called in due to urgency (in consultation with C&I chairman)	Yes	No	
Key Decision:			
A matter which affects two or more wards, or has significant financial implications	Yes	Νο	

### 1. Introduction

- 1.1 In accordance with the provision of section 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, it is the duty of the Council to make appointments to Committees in accordance with the wishes expressed by political groups following the determination under section 15 (the allocation of seats to political groups).
- 1.2 Section 2 details the wishes expressed by the political groups.

### 2. Appointment of Committees

### 2.1 Chief Officer Employment Committee (8 Members)

Councillor Owen Bierley Councillor Mrs Jackie Brockway Councillor Jeanette McGhee Councillor Peter Morris Councillor Mrs Lesley Rollings Councillor Mrs Mandy Snee Councillor Moira Westley Councillor Trevor Young

### 2.2 Corporate Policy and Resources Committee (12 Members)

Councillor Owen Bierley Councillor Matthew Boles Councillor Frazer Brown Councillor Stephen Bunney Councillor Ian Fleetwood Councillor Paul Key Councillor Roger Patterson Councillor Mrs Lesley Rollings Councillor Tom Smith Councillor Mrs Mandy Snee Councillor Paul Swift Councillor Trevor Young

### 2.3 Governance and Audit Committee (8 Members)

Councillor Stephen Bunney Councillor Mrs Jackie Brockway Councillor John Barrett Councillor Christopher Darcel Councillor David Dobbie Councillor Sabastian Hague Councillor Mrs Angela Lawrence Councillor Baptiste Velan

### 2.4 Licensing Committee (1 PMenebers)

Councillor John Barrett Councillor Eve Bennett Councillor Liz Clews Councillor David Dobbie Councillor Mrs Angela Lawrence Councillor Paul Lee Councillor Maureen Palmer Councillor Mrs Diana Rodgers Councillor Jim Snee Councillor Mrs Mandy Snee Councillor Baptiste Velan

#### 2.5 Regulatory Committee (11 Members)

Councillor John Barrett Councillor Eve Bennett Councillor Liz Clews Councillor David Dobbie Councillor Mrs Angela Lawrence Councillor Paul Lee Councillor Maureen Palmer Councillor Mrs Diana Rodgers Councillor Jim Snee Councillor Mrs Mandy Snee Councillor Baptiste Velan

### 2.6 Planning Committee (12 Members)

Councillor Emma Bailey Councillor John Barrett Councillor Owen Bierley Councillor Matthew Boles Councillor Karen Carless Councillor David Dobbie Councillor David Dobbie Councillor Ian Fleetwood Councillor Sabastian Hague Councillor Sabastian Hague Councillor Peter Morris Councillor Roger Patterson Councillor Tom Smith Councillor Jim Snee

#### 2.7 Prosperous Communities Committee (12 Members)

Councillor Emma Bailey Councillor Owen Bierley Councillor Frazer Brown Councillor Stephen Bunney Councillor Karen Carless Councillor Chris DarcPage 35 Councillor Jacob Flear Councillor Paul Lee Councillor Peter Morris Councillor Roger Patterson Councillor Mrs Lesley Rollings Councillor Trevor Young

### 2.8 **Overview and Scrutiny Committee (12 members)**

Councillor Eve Bennett Councillor Trevor Bridgwood Councillor Liz Clews Councillor Adam Duguid Councillor Jacob Flear Councillor Paul Howitt-Cowan Councillor Paul Key Councillor Paul Key Councillor Paul Lee Councillor Paul Lee Councillor Lynda Mullally Councillor Maureen Palmer Councillor Roger Pilgrim Councillor Moira Westley



Council

Monday, 24 June 2024

# Subject: Appointment of Committee Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen for the remainder of the 2024/25

Report by:	Monitoring Officer
Contact Officer:	Katie Storr Democratic Services & Elections Team Manager katie.storr@west-lindsey.gov.uk
Purpose / Summary:	Having re-appointed the Committees under Section 16 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, this report seeks to re-appoint Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen to each of the Committees for the remainder of the 2024/2025 Civic Year.

# **RECOMMENDATION(S)**:

- (1) That Council appoint Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen, as detailed in Table 1 of the report, for the remainder of 2024/25 Civic Year to the following Committees: -
  - (a) Chief Officer Employment Committee
  - (b) Corporate Policy and Resources Committee
  - (c) Planning Committee
  - (d) Governance and Audit Committee
  - (e) Licensing Committee
  - (f) Overview and Scrutiny Committee
  - (g) Regulatory Committee
  - (h) Prosperous Communities Committee

### IMPLICATIONS

### Legal:

It is the responsibility of Full Council to agree Chairmanships, Vice-Chairmanships annually or following the need to recalculate political balance, resulting in the Committees being re-appointed to, as is the case for this report.

### Financial :

Special responsibility allowances are payable to Committee Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen at a rate agreed by the Independent Remuneration Panel. These costs are met from the Members' Allowance budget which is set following any recommendation from the Panel and subsequent approval by Full Council.

The Vice Chairman for both Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Governance and Audit Committee share the allowance.

The number of Vice-Chairmanships on the Policy and Resources Committee was increased at the AGM in May this has had no impact on the budget at this stage as the allowance will be shared.

This matter will be considered further by the Independent Remuneration Panel in due course and appropriate recommendations made to Council in January 2025 if deemed necessary.

All payable Special Responsibility Allowances in this report can be met from existing budgets.

### Staffing :

None directly arising as a result of this report.

### Equality and Diversity including Human Rights :

None directly arising as a result of this report.

### **Data Protection Implications :**

None directly arising as a result of this report.

### **Climate Related Risks and Opportunities:**

None directly arising as a result of this report.

### Section 17 Crime and Disorder Considerations:

None directly arising as a result of this report.

### Health Implications:

None directly arising as a result of this report.

# Title and Location of any Background Papers used in the preparation of this report :

Notices received from the Group Leaders on the allocation of Committee/ Sub Committee places – documents available from the Guildhall, Gainsborough (on request).

#### **Risk Assessment :**

N/A

### Call in and Urgency:

### Is the decision one which Rule 14.7 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules apply?

i.e. is the report exempt from being called in due to urgency (in consultation with C&I chairman)	Yes	No
Key Decision:		
A matter which affects two or more wards, or has significant financial implications	Yes	No

### 1 Introduction

- 1.1 Following the Constitutional changes agreed in March 2019, Council are now the responsible body for the appointment of Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen to each Committee.
- 1.2 Given the Committees have been re-appointed to under regulation 16 as a result of the political balance being recalculated. It is necessary to appoint Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen to serve on each.
- 1.3 Table 1 below sets out the nominations received in advance of the meeting for each available position. Counter nominations may be made in the meeting.

### Table 1

Committee	Chairman	Vice Chairman/men
Chief Officer	Councillor Moira	Councillor Mandy
Employment	Westley	Snee
Committee		
Corporate Policy	Councillor Trevor	Councillor Lesley
and Resources	Young	Rollings
Committee		Councillor Paul Swift
Planning	Councillor Matt	Councillor Jim Snee
Committee	Boles	
Governance and	Councillor	Councillor David
Audit Committee	Stephen Bunney	Dobbie
		Councillor Velan
		Baptiste
*Licensing	Councillor Jim	Councillor Mandy
Committee	Snee	Snee
Overview and	Councillor Paul	Councillor Jacob Flear
Scrutiny	Howitt-Cowan	Councillor Moira
Committee		Westley
*Regulatory	Councillor Jim	Councillor Mandy
Committee	Snee	Snee
Prosperous	Lesley Rollings	Councillor Trevor
Communities		Young
Committee		Councillor Emma
		Bailey



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24 June 2024

Subject: Revision to Outside Body Appointments and Working Groups					
Report by:	Monitoring Officer				
Contact Officer:	Katie Storr Democratic Services and Elections Team Manager <u>Katie.storr@west-lindsey.gov.uk</u>				
Purpose / Summary:	To make revisions to outside body appointments and Working Groups				

# **RECOMMENDATION(S):**

- (a) That Councillor Owen Bierley be appointed to the Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Management Project until Annual Council May 2027 in replacement of Councillor Moira Westley.
- (b) That Councillor lan Fleetwood be appointed to the Environment and Sustainability Working Group in replacement of Councillor Paul Lee.

### IMPLICATIONS

### Legal:

Appointment to outside bodies is a requirement of the Constitution.

### Financial :

Members are entitled to claim allowances for attendance at bodies and groups they have been formally appointed to. Costs can be met from within existing member travel budgets.

#### Staffing :

None arising from this report

### Equality and Diversity including Human Rights :

None arising from this report

### Data Protection Implications :

None arising from this report

#### **Climate Related Risks and Opportunities:**

None arising from this report

### Section 17 Crime and Disorder Considerations:

None arising from this report

#### Health Implications:

None arising from this report

# Title and Location of any Background Papers used in the preparation of this report :

Correspondence with Outside Body agencies, held by Democratic Services

Risk Assessment :

# Call in and Urgency:

# Is the decision one which Rule 14.7 of the Scrutiny Procedure Rules apply?

i.e. is the report exempt from being called in due to urgency (in consultation with C&I chairman)	Yes	No	
Key Decision:			
A matter which affects two or more wards, or has significant financial implications	Yes	No	

### 1 Introduction

- 1.1 The Council makes a number of appointments to Outside Bodies, where such bodies have requested formal representation, and is required annually to make appointments to such outside bodies where vacancies exist. The Full list of Outside Bodies is shown at Appendix 1. The Council also appoints to a number of Internal Working Groups.
- 1.2 The majority of Outside Body appointments and Working Groups now have a four-year term and expire in-line with the elections cycle. There are none due to expire this year however the two largest Groups have asked for the following replacements to be made:-

# • The Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Management Project (Outside Body)

Councillor Owen Bierley to replace Councillor Moira Westley

### • Environment and Sustainability Working Group

Councillor Ian Fleetwood to replace Councillor Paul Lee

To appoint representatives to the following Statutory, Strategic, Charitable and Community organisations.

Name of body	Type of organisation	no. of places	member 1	member 2	member 3	member 4
Age UK Lindsey	Charity	1	Cllr Karen Carless 2027			
Ancholme Internal Drainage Board	Statutory	1	Cllr Stephen Bunney 2027			
APSE LEADER		1	Cllr Trevor Young			
Citizens Advice Lindsey	Charity	1	Cllr Jim Snee 2027			
CLJSPC Central Lincs Joint Strategic Planning Committee (LEADER)		3 + 1 reserve	Cllr Trevor Young 2027	Cllr Matt Boles 2027	Cllr Stephen Bunney 2027	Cllr Ian Fleetwood 2027 (reserve)
he) Conservation Volunteers	Charity	2	Cllr Paul Howitt- Cowan 2027	Cllr Eve Bennett 2027		
D District Councils' Network LEADER	Strategic	1 + sub	Cllr Trevor Young 2027	Cllr Ian Fleetwood (sub) 2027		
District Council Health and Wellbeing Briefing (renamed)	Community	1	Cllr Trevor Young 2027			
East Midlands Council LEADER & DEPUTY LEADER	Strategic	1 + sub	Cllr Trevor Young 2027	Cllr Lesley Rollings 2027		
Flood & Water Management Scrutiny Cttee		1 + sub	Cllr Ian Fleetwood 2027	Cllr Lesley Rollings 2027 (res)		
Gainsborough Adventure Playground Association	Charity	1	Cllr Matthew Boles 2027			
Gainsborough Transport Strategy Delivery Board (GTSDB)	Strategic	2 + res	Cllr Jacob Flear 2027	Cllr Trevor Young 2027	Cllr Roger Patterson 2027 (reserve)	
Health Scrutiny Committee for Lincolnshire MEMBER OF SCRUTINY BUT NOT PROSPEROUS	Strategic	1 + sub (O and S)	Cllr Moira Westley 2027	Cllr Lynda Mullally 2027 (res)		
Healthwatch Provider Network Meeting (Public event: YourVoice@HWL)	Strategic	4	Cllr Diana Rodgers 2027	Cllr Owen Bierley 2027	Vacant 2027	Vacant 2027

Housing, Health & Care Delivery Group	Ctatutan	4	Cllr Lesley Rollings			
(HHCDG) CHAIR OF PROSPEROUS	Statutory	1	2027			
Humber 2100+ Elected Member Forum		1	Cllr Lesley Rollings 2027			
Humberside International Airport Consultative Committee	Statutory	1	Cllr Owen Bierley 2027			
LEP (Local Enterprise Partnership) LEADER		1	Cllr Trevor Young 2027			
LGA General Assembly LEADER	Strategic	1	Cllr Trevor Young 2027			
Lincoln Area Dial-a-Ride Management Committee	Community	1	Cllr Baptiste Velan 2027			
Lincoln Transport Strategy Delivery Board (LTSDB)	Strategic	2 + res	Cllr Sabastian Hague 2027	Cllr Paul Swift 2027	Cllr Roger Patterson 2027 (reserve)	
tincolnshire Branch of the Campaign	Charity	1	Cllr Stephen Bunney 2027			
C incolnshire Police and Crime Panel	Statutory	1	Cllr Emma Bailey 2027			
Lincolnshire Waste Partnership	Strategic	1	Cllr Stephen Bunney 2027			
Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Management Project	Community	2	Cllr Stephen Bunney 2027	Cllr Moira Westley 2027		
PATROL (CPE)	Statutory	1 + sub	Cllr Trevor Young 2027	Cllr Matt Boles (sub) 2027		
Pensions Committee	Statutory	1	Cllr Paul Key 2027			
Rural Services Network (SPARSE)	Community	1	Cllr Owen Bierley 2027			
Scunthorpe & Gainsborough Water Level Management Board	Statutory	2	Cllr Lesley Rollings 2027	Cllr Ian Fleetwood 2027		
Trent Valley Internal Drainage Board	Statutory		Cllr David Dobbie 2027		Nb appointed 6/11/23 to this new Body	
Trustees of Charles Cooper Trust	Charity	4	Jessie Milne to 2026	Cllr Lynda Mullally 2027	Cllr Mandy Snee 2027	Cllr Paul Howitt- Cowan 2026

Trustees of Dixons Almshouses	Charity	1	Cllr Lynda Mullally 2027			
Trustees of Francis Barker Trust	Charity	2	Jessie Milne 2026	Cllr Matt Boles 2025	****	
Trustees of Gainsborough Education Charity	Charity	2	Jessie Milne 2026	Cllr Matt Boles 2025	****	
Trustees of W G Rose Memorial	Charity	2	Jessie Milne 2026	Cllr Matt Boles 2025	****	
Upper Witham Internal Drainage Board	Statutory	1	Cllr Peter Morris 2027			
West Lindsey Churches Festival	Charity	2	Cllr Paul Howitt- Cowan 2027	Cllr Lesley Rollings 2027		
Witham Third Internal Drainage Board	Statutory	4	Cllr Peter Morris 2027	Cllr Ian Fleetwood 2027	Cllr John Barrett 2027	Mr Terry Williams
Wolds Community Transport Association Limited	Charity	1	Cllr Tom Smith 2027			

nb for future years, note that the rep for Gainsborough Educational, is also naturally the rep for Francis Barker, and WG Rose. This is the cause the meeting starts with Gainsboro Educ, followed by Francis Barker, and ending with WG Rose.