

# REPORT TO COUNCIL

**REPORT OF: Head of Legal and Democratic Services**

**REPORT NO: LDS030**

**DATE: 7 July 2011**

<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>Representatives on Outside Bodies</b>	
<b>KEY DECISION OR POLICY FRAMEWORK PROPOSAL:</b>	N/A	
<b>PORTFOLIO HOLDER: NAME AND DESIGNATION:</b>	Councillor Paul Carpenter - Portfolio Holder, Engagement and Corporate Services	
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<b>INITIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT:</b>	Carried out and Referred to in paragraph (7) below:	Full impact assessment Required:
<b>Equality and Diversity</b>	Not applicable	No
<b>FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT:</b>	This report is publicly available via the Your Council and Democracy link on the Council's website: <a href="http://www.southkesteven.gov.uk">www.southkesteven.gov.uk</a>	
<b>BACKGROUND PAPERS</b>	None	

## 1. RECOMMENDATIONS

**The Council appoints representatives to:**

- **Deeping St. James United Charities (1 rep)**
- **Deepings Town Centre Management Partnership (2 reps)**
- **Welland and Deeping Internal Drainage Board (4 reps)**

## 2. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT/DECISION REQUIRED

Following each quadrennial election, it has been the practice of the District Council to review its representation on outside bodies. Under Part 4 of the Constitution, specifically Council Procedure Rule 1.2(iv), the annual meeting of the Council will receive nominations of Councillors to serve on a variety of outside bodies. The report deals with three bodies to which appointments were deferred pending a by-election in Deeping St. James (23 June 2011).

## 3. DETAILS OF REPORT

All outside organisations and bodies to whom the District Council appointed representatives at the annual meeting in May 2007 have been contacted to ask whether they still wished to seek district council representation. Any other bodies to which appointments have been made in the intervening four years have also been contacted.

Based on the responses received, nominations were made at the annual meeting of the Council on 19 May 2011. Nominations to three bodies who had requested appointments: Deeping St. James United Charities, Deepings town centre partnership and the Welland and Deeping Internal Drainage Board, were deferred pending the outcome of a by-election in Deeping St. James on 23 June 2011. The Council agreed to defer this decision because representatives local to the Deepings area were required.

**Deeping St. James United Charities**

The body has a single vacancy for a Member from the parish of Deeping St James and Frognall. The appointment is for a 4-year period and will run until the next district council elections in 2015. The Charity requires that an appointment is made from members who live within the ecclesiastical parish of Deeping St James and Frognall. It is understood all members elected on the 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2011 live within that parish.

**Deeping town centre partnership**

The body has two vacancies that run until the next district council elections in 2015.

**Welland and Deeping Internal Drainage Board**

Appointments to the drainage board run until March 2014. There are four vacancies on this body.

**4. OTHER OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

The Council could decline to make an appointment or appointments unless there was any legal requirement to do so.

**5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Travelling expenses are payable to Councillors who attend meetings of outside bodies to which they have been appointed by the Council. Provision is made with the Legal and Democratic Services budget for the payment of travel expenses.

**6. RISK AND MITIGATION (INCLUDING HEALTH AND SAFETY AND DATA QUALITY)**

The Council should make any appointments of representatives to outside bodies in accordance with the provisions in the Council’s Constitution and where statutory requirements exist, the Member with the appropriate office should be appointed.

**7. ISSUES ARISING FROM EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

Not applicable.

**8. CRIME AND DISORDER IMPLICATIONS**

Not applicable.

## **9. COMMENTS OF FINANCIAL SERVICES**

Any financial implications arising from this report have been included in the budget framework for 2011/12.

## **10. COMMENTS OF LEGAL AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES**

Any appointment to such bodies must be registered by the member appointed as a registerable interest. In accordance with the members' code of conduct, such interests need only be declared as personal interests at this authority's meetings if a matter relating to the outside body is to be discussed at the meeting and/or the interest is not prejudicial and/or the member appointed intends to speak on the issue.

## **11. APPENDICES:**

None