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HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Title/Subject Matter: Representatives on External Organisations, Annual Update Report 2019/20

Meeting/Date: Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Customers and Partnerships) – 10th September 2020

Executive Portfolio: Executive Leader of the Council

Report by: Democratic Services Officer (Scrutiny)

Wards affected: All

Executive Summary:

Huntingdonshire District Council (HDC) has representation on 41 external organisations and this report provides Overview and Scrutiny Members with information on how many meetings representatives have attended as well as any updates relevant to HDC.

Recommendations:

The Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Customers and Partnerships) is

RECOMMENDED

- 1) to discuss and note the contents of the report.
- 2) to submit any comments to Cabinet for their consideration when reviewing appointments to external organisations.

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to update Overview and Scrutiny Members on the number of meetings attended by HDC representatives as well as updates relevant to HDC. This is intended to improve monitoring of how these organisations and partnerships contribute to the Council and its Corporate Objectives.

2. WHY IS THIS REPORT NECESSARY/BACKGROUND

- 2.1 At the Cabinet meeting on 22nd June 2017, following feedback from Overview and Scrutiny, Executive Councillors resolved that appointed Members be required to report on an annual basis, in writing, to the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel.
- 2.2 This report covers the 2019/20 Municipal Year, which ran from Wednesday 15th May 2019 to Wednesday 17th June 2020.

3. MEETINGS ATTENDED

- 3.1 The number of meetings attended by each representative on their respective organisations.

	Organisation	Representative	Meetings Attended
1	A141 Huntingdon & St Ives Area Transport Study Steering Group	Cllr A Dickinson Cllr M Humphrey Cllr J Neish Cllr S Wakeford	All meetings attended
2	Cambridgeshire Health and Well-Being Board	Cllr J M Palmer	1 meeting attended
3	Cambridgeshire Future Transport – Cross Party Working Group	Cllr J Neish	No meetings held
4	Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Panel	Cllr S Bywater Cllr H Masson (Substitute)	1 meeting attended
5	East of England Local Government Association	Cllr R Fuller	All meetings attended
6	Great Fen Project Steering Committee	Cllr K P Gulson Cllr Mrs M Beuttell	No invite received
7	Huntingdonshire Community Safety Partnership	Cllr K I Prentice	No invite received
8	Joint Strategic Planning Member Board	Cllr J Neish Cllr R Fuller Cllr E R Butler	No meetings held

9	Recycling in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Board	Cllr M Beuttell	1 meeting attended
10	Transport Strategy Huntingdonshire	Cllr S Corney Cllr A Dickinson Cllr J Neish Cllr K Prentice	All meetings attended
11	Historic England - Heritage Champion	Cllr Jon Neish	No meetings held
12	Cambridgeshire Chambers of Commerce – Huntingdonshire Chamber	Cllr R Fuller	All meetings attended
13	Cambridgeshire Armed Forces Community Covenant Board	Cllr J Neish	No meetings held
14	Envar Ltd, St Ives Composting Facility – Site Liaison Forum	Cllr G J Bull	No invite recieved
15	Huntingdon Association of Community Transport	Cllr R J West	All meetings attended
16	Huntingdon Freeman's Trust	Cllr Mrs J Tavener	14 meetings attended
17	Huntingdonshire Flood Forum	Cllr M Beuttell	No meetings attended
18	Alconbury and Ellington Internal Drainage Board (IDB)	Cllr I D Gardener Cllr D M Tysoe	No meetings attended
19	Benwick IDB	Cllr J M Palmer	1 meeting attended
20	Bluntisham IDB	Cllr J Neish	1 meeting attended
21	Conington and Holme IDB	Cllr T D Alban	No meetings attended
22	Ramsey First (Hollow) IDB	Cllr J M Palmer	1 meeting attended
23	Ramsey Fourth (Middle Moor) IDB	Cllr J M Palmer	1 meeting attended
24	Ramsey, Upwood and Great Raveley IDB	Cllr J Clarke Cllr S J Corney	2 meetings attended
25	Sawtry IDB	Cllr R G Tuplin	1 meeting

		Cllr S Bywater	attended
26	Sutton and Mepal IDB	Cllr S Criswell	No meetings attended
27	Ramsey IDB	Cllr E R Butler Cllr J M Palmer	Three meetings attended
28	Warboys, Somersham and Pidley IDB	Cllr G J Bull Cllr Mrs J Tavener	2 meetings attended
29	Whittlesey & District IDB	Cllr E R Butler	Two meetings attended
30	Woodwalton Drainage Commissioners IDB	Cllr S Bywater	No meetings attended
31	Holmewood & District IDB	Cllr S Bywater Cllr J Clarke	2 meetings attended
32	Little Gransden Aerodrome Consultative Committee (known as Cambridge Gliding Club Consultative Committee)	Cllr R J West	No meetings attended
33	Local Water Forum	Cllr J Clarke	No meetings held
34	Middle Level Commissioners	Cllr J Clarke	All meetings attended
35	Oxmoor Community Action Group (OCAG)	Cllr Mrs J Tavener	All meetings attended
36	Red Tile Wind Farm Trust Fund Ltd	Cllr Mrs J Tavener	Two meetings attended
37	BID Huntingdon	Cllr P Kadewere	No update received
38	St Ives Town Initiative	Cllr J W Davies	All meetings attended
39	Trustees of Kimbolton School Foundation	Cllr J A Gray	All meetings attended
40	Cambridgeshire Consultative	Cllr E R Butler	Two

	Group for the Fletton Brickworks Industry		meetings attended
41	Little Barford Power Station Liaison Committee	Cllr B Banks	No meetings held
42	Needingworth Quarry Local Liaison Committee	Cllr L A Besley Cllr J Neish	No meetings held
43	Warboys Landfill Local Liaison Group	Cllr Mrs J Tavener	All meetings attended
44	Cambridgeshire County Council Health Committee	Cllr Mrs J Tavener Cllr S R Wilson (Substitute)	All meetings attended
45	Huntingdonshire Community Safety Partnership	Cllr Mrs J Tavener	All meetings attended

4. UPDATES

- 4.1 Updates relevant to HDC provided by the Council's representatives on external organisations are listed below.

	Organisation	Commentary
1	A141 Huntingdon & St Ives Area Transport Study Steering Group	Mayor Palmer has commissioned a St Ives Strategy Study.
10	Transport Strategy Huntingdonshire	The County Council are to produce a summary table and timeline of all of the developments and strategies which are currently happening in Huntingdonshire. They will ensure all statutory bodies are engaged throughout the development of the strategy. County Council and HDC communications teams are to ensure they are aware of the engagement plans for the study.
16	Huntingdon Freeman's Trust	The Trust are helping a number of people living in the Huntingdon area who require either in kind or financial support, more so during the Covid-19 pandemic. To provide support during this period the Trust invited Hunts Forum to provide a breakdown of areas most hit by the virus with advice as to cost in providing a

		service to those sections of the community. The support commenced April 2020 with a different grant for each area, e.g. training volunteers, food bank and groups supporting residents through Covid-19.
20	Bluntisham IDB	In January, the Board made a special levy totalling £11,239 on Huntingdonshire District Council.
24	Ramsey, Upwood and Great Raveley IDB	The replacement of the Green Dyke Bank pumping station has been held up as no immediate grant aid was available in the 2019/20 financial year. The pump will cost at least £500k.
25	Sawtry IDB	Concern was expressed over a culvert under the railway on Sawtry Fen which could cause problems when there is exceptional rainfall. Specifically the constriction could cause a back up of water in the drain which could lead to flooding in areas which normally wouldn't experience flooding.
32	Little Gransden Aerodrome Consultative Committee (known as Cambridge Gliding Club Consultative Committee)	Councillor West has stated that the Committee is located within the South Cambridgeshire District Council boundary. If there was a new planning application or amendment then SCDC would notify HDC as a matter of courtesy. There is little benefit of continuing to appoint a representative to the Committee.
34	Middle Level Commissioners	Two important issues have arisen <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The boating community will require licenses to navigate the Middle Level system, but the Middle Level will improve moorings and infrastructure. • The Middle Level will keep their Drainage Rates the same as last year for this coming fiscal year but warned pension problems may cause a rise next year.
43	Warboys Landfill Local Liaison Group	A lot of work has taken place to redevelop the conservation area, this has increased the number of heavy vehicles access the site. For a period of time the vehicles used Warboys High Street instead of the designated route which is A141 to

		<p>Fen Drove. This was discussed at a meeting and since been rectified.</p> <p>Woodfords and Sinclair application to build the Biomass Energy plant has been shelved. Woodfords are now selling the area allocated for £500k.</p>
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5. PROGRESS OF THE REPORT

- 5.1 This report is an annual report of representatives on external organisations for Overview and Scrutiny use and the report is not proceeding to Cabinet.

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