HUNTINGDONSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Title: Representation on External Organisations – Quarterly

Update Report

Meeting/Date: Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Communities and

Environment) - 7th March 2017

Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Performance and Customers)

- 1st February 2017

Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Economy and Growth) - 2nd

February 2017

Executive Portfolio: Executive Leader of the Council

Report by: Democratic Services Officer (Scrutiny)

Wards affected: All

Executive Summary:

Huntingdonshire District Council has representation on 49 external organisations and this report supplies Overview and Scrutiny with an update from the representatives on those external organisations.

The reason for the report is that the Cabinet decided at its meeting on 21st July 2016 to require appointed Members to report on a quarterly basis, in writing, to the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel.

The external organisations have been divided according to where they broadly fit in terms of panel remit in order to allow the panels to focus in on areas of interest. This means that Communities and Environment have 39 under their remit, Economy and Growth have 8 under their remit and Performance and Customers have 2 under their remit.

In this quarter, no update has been received in relation to 9 organisations and there was nothing to report from a further 14 organisations.

Recommendation:

The Overview and Scrutiny Panels are invited to:

- 1) comment on the report and identify any individual organisation they would like a verbal update on at a future Panel meeting or receive further detail on; and,
- 2) comment on the frequency of the report.

Communities and Environment

1 Cambridgeshire Health and Well-Being Board

Councillor J M Palmer

Councillor Palmer has confirmed that he has not attended any meetings of the Board in the last quarter.

2 Cambridgeshire Community Safety Strategic Board

Councillor S Criswell

Councillor Criswell was not invited to attend a Board meeting.

3 Cambridgeshire Police and Crime Panel

Councillor R B Howe with Councillor Mrs A Dickinson as a substitute.

No Update

4 Huntingdonshire Local Strategic Partnership – Children and Young People

Councillor J M Palmer

Councillor Palmer has confirmed that he has not attended any meetings of the Partnership in the last quarter.

5 Huntingdonshire Local Strategic Partnership – Health and Well-Being

Councillor J M Palmer

Councillor Palmer has confirmed that he has not attended any meetings of the Partnership in the last quarter.

6 Huntingdonshire Local Strategic Partnership – Huntingdonshire Community Safety Partnership

Councillor S Criswell

Councillor Criswell was in attendance for a meeting of the Partnership on 6th October 2016. The topics covered were: Police and Crime Panel; Transforming Lives; Oxmoor Assessment; Vulnerability; Reoffending and Community Resilience. He has arranged for the lead officer from Cambridgeshire County Council to attend a meeting to introduce the County Resilience Strategy.

7 Recycling in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Board

Councillor R C Carter

Councillor Carter attended the Board meeting on 27th September 2016. In attendance were representatives from Cambridgeshire County Council, Peterborough City Council and Cambridgeshire's District Councils. At the meeting the Board reviewed the new incineration waste disposal method by Peterborough City Council and had presentations on types of packaging and the way the industry was moving forward. There was nothing of note that affects HDC.

8 Cambridgeshire Armed Forces Community Covenant Board

Councillor R Harrison

The last meeting was week commencing 10th October 2016 however Councillor Harrison was unable to attend. The topic for discussion is general conversation regarding the Board. There is nothing of note that affects HDC.

9 Huntingdonshire Volunteer Centre – District

Councillors D Harty and K M Baker

Councillor Baker attended a meeting on 14th September 2016. Funding was discussed now that their grants have been reduced. A report was presented on how their new shop in Huntingdon was doing.

10 Great Fen Project Steering Group

Councillors G J Bull and D Watt

Councillor Watt attended a meeting of the Group on 26th November 2016. He had drafted a report which wasn't discussed but may be included in a future meeting. At the meeting it was decided that it would be too costly to draw up a new master plan therefore the existing one would be updated with supplements. Councillor Watt declined to approve the latest supplemented items on the grounds that insufficient consideration had been given to walk in access from Yaxley and Farcet.

Councillor Bull attended the meeting held on 26th September 2016 but will no longer attend future meetings.

11 Internal Drainage Board – Alconbury and Ellington

Councillors K M Baker and J White

Councillor Baker attended the Board meeting on 7th June 2016. Topics discussed were: the proposed drainage work 2016/17 (which was agreed), the flooding of Alconbury in March 2016 and the lack of maintenance of Alconbury brook by the IDB.

12 Internal Drainage Board – Benwick

Councillor J M Palmer

Councillor Palmer has confirmed that he has not attended any meetings of the Board in the last quarter.

13 Internal Drainage Board – Bluntisham

Councillor M Francis

Nothing to report.

14 Internal Drainage Board – Conington and Holme

Councillor T Alban

Nothing to report.

15 Internal Drainage Board – Holmewood and District

Councillor D Watt

The Board met on 17th November 2016. Complaints were raised that the Great Fen Project is wiping out wildlife. Planning delays were also mentioned.

16 Internal Drainage Board – Ramsey First (Hollow)

Councillor J M Palmer

Councillor Palmer has confirmed that he has not attended any meetings of the Board in the last quarter.

17 Internal Drainage Board – Ramsey Fourth (Middle Moor)

Councillor J M Palmer

Councillor Palmer has confirmed that he has not attended any meetings of the Board in the last quarter.

18 Internal Drainage Board – Ramsey, Upwood and Great Raveley

Councillors R B Howe and P L E Bucknell

Councillor Bucknell attended meetings on 7th January 2016 and 19th May 2016. At the meetings there was discussion of a new pumping station and some buildings too near the IDB water course.

19 Internal Drainage Board - Sawtry

Councillors R G Tuplin and D M Tysoe

Nothing to report. Board only meets once a year.

20 Internal Drainage Board – Sutton and Mepal

Councillor S Criswell

The first Board meeting of the year was the week commencing 9th January 2017.

21 Internal Drainage Board – The Ramsey

Councillors E R Butler and J M Palmer

Councillor Palmer has not attended any meetings of the Board.

22 | Internal Drainage Board - Warboys, Somersham and Pidley

Councillors G J Bull and Mrs J Tavener

Councillor Bull attended the meeting held on 24th November 2016. He also attended the inspection visit.

23 Internal Drainage Board – Whittlesey

Councillor D Watt

Councillor Watt attended the meeting on 8th November 2016. The Board discussed the following: the A605 bypass implications, pump upgrade quote of £160k (budget is only £90k), the flood risk cause by badgers digging into the banks and complaints about Planners not listening.

24 Internal Drainage Board – Woodwalton Drainage Commissioners

Councillor R B Howe

No Update

25 | Little Gransden Aerodrome Consultative Committee

Councillor R J West

Councillor West provided papers for the Panel which were tabled at its meeting on 6th December 2016.

26 Local Water Forum

Councillor Mrs R E Mathews

No meetings attended. Councillor Mathews unsure whether the Forum still exists.

27 Luminus Homes

Councillors R Fuller, R C Carter, Mrs R E Mathews and J White

Councillor Fuller has nothing to report other than that none of the HDC appointees have been registered at Companies House and are therefore still not being invited to take part in meetings.

28 Luminus Group (Parent)

Councillor R Fuller

Councillor Fuller has nothing to report other than that none of the HDC appointees have been registered at Companies House and are therefore still not being invited to take part in meetings.

29 Oak Foundation

Councillor D Harty

No Update

30 | Middle Level Commissioners

Councillor G J Bull

Councillor Bull attended the last meeting held on 3rd November 2016.

31 Oxmoor Community Action Group

Councillor Mrs J Tavener

No Update

32 Red Tile Wind Farm Trust Fund Ltd

Councillor P L E Bucknell

Councillor Bucknell attended the meeting held on 27th October 2016. There were 10 applications for grants with 6 awarded.

33 Stilton Children and Young People's Facilities Association

Councillor T Alban

Nothing to report.

34 Trustees of Kimbolton School Foundation

Councillor J A Gray

Councillor Gray has attended (and Chaired) one finance committee meeting as well as one meeting of the Full Board of Governors since the last update. In addition he has attended one evening training seminar, the School Open Day, Founders Day and the Carol Service.

35 Cambridgeshire Consultative Group for the Fletton Brickworks Industry

Councillor E R Butler

No Update

36 Little Barford Power Station Liaison Committee

Councillor J E Corley

No Update

37 | Needingworth Quarry Local Liaison Committee

Councillors R C Carter and M Francis

Nothing to report.

38 Warboys Landfill Local Liaison Group

Councillor P L E Bucknell

Nothing to report.

39 | Cambridgeshire County Council Health Committee

Councillor Mrs A Dickinson

Councillor Dickinson gave a verbal update to the Panel on 6th December 2016. She attended the Joint Meeting of the Health Committee on 9th November 2016 where after evidence gathering and witness statements both Cambridgeshire County Council and Peterborough City Council Members agreed in principle to the merger of the trusts running Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals and Hinchingbrooke Hospital. Councillor Dickinson attended the meeting of the committee on 10th November 2016 but submitted her apologies for the meeting held on 15th December 2016.

As of 10th February 2017 the Panel has appointed Councillor Mrs J Tavener as its representative on the Health Committee.