

REPORT of DIRECTOR OF STRATEGY AND RESOURCES

to ANNUAL COUNCIL 16 MAY 2024

APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND OUTSIDE BODIES

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1.1 To consider the appointment of representatives to serve on the Local Government and Outside Bodies for the Municipal Year to May 2025.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- (i) That the appointment of representatives to Local Government and Outside Bodies, as detailed in **APPENDIX 1** nominated by the respective Political Groups, be agreed for the Municipal Year to May 2025;
- (ii) That where representations are not approved, Members appoint to these Outside Body seats;
- (iii) That Members appointed as representatives to Local Government and Outside Bodies are responsible for sharing minutes of meetings attended, to be stored centrally on the Modern.Gov library as per the details in section 3.4 below.

3. SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES

- 3.1 A list of the proposed appointments to Local Government and Outside Bodies is attached at APPENDIX 1. These appointments are distinct from those made from within individual Committee memberships, which will be referred to Committees at their first meetings. As part of this process, the Museum Liaison Committee and the Citizens Advice Liaison Committee will be appointed by the Strategy and Resources Committee (S&R) rather than the Performance, Governance and Audit Committee (PGA), as it has been determined that the Terms of Reference for align better to this committee. A new 'Chairs of Audit Committee Forum' has also been added under the Performance, Governance and Audit Committee.
- 3.2 Attention is drawn to the Outside Bodies detailed below and the changes that have become apparent over the past year:
 - A new appointment is sought for the Essex Future of Leisure Board The Essex Future of Public Leisure Partnership Board TOR (Draft).docx and the A12 widening group has been added in the year with one Ward Councillor from Wickham Bishops and Great Totham Wards for appointment.
 - The Local Highways Panel does not require representation this municipal year.

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3.3 At the Statutory Annual Meeting in November 2020, to enable Member visibility, it was resolved that where papers are not private and confidential, and subject to agreement by the relevant body, they would be stored on the central Modern.Gov library for all Members to access. The appointed Member representative(s) is asked to use the following FreshService link to submit papers - https://maldon.freshservice.com/support/catalog/items/105.

4. CONCLUSION

4.1 This report provides a list of Local Government and Outside Bodies for the Council and seeks Member appointment for the municipal year to May 2025.

5. IMPACT ON PRIORITIES AS SET OUT IN THE CORPORATE PLAN 2023 - 2027

- 5.1 Supporting our communities
- 5.1.1 Representation on some of the outside bodies listed will support this priority.
- 5.2 Enhancing and connecting our place
- 5.2.1 Representation on some of the outside bodies listed will support this priority.
- 5.3 Smarter finances
- 5.3.1 The outside body list is reviewed annually to ensure there is a value in the time representing Maldon District Council (MDC) at the body meetings.
- 5.4 Provide good quality services.
- 5.4.1 Representation on some of the outside bodies listed will support this priority.

6. IMPLICATIONS

- (i) <u>Impact on Customers</u> Representation on some of the outside bodies listed will support our customers.
- (ii) <u>Impact on Equalities</u> None.
- (iii) <u>Impact on Risk (including Fraud implications)</u> Attendance limits risk, as MDC is aware of what is going on in wider partner context.
- (iv) Impact on Resources (financial) None.
- (v) <u>Impact on Resources (human)</u> Officer and Member time taken to attend Local Government and Outside Bodies.

Background Papers: None.

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