

## Individual Decision

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<b>Title of Report:</b>	<b>Representation on Outside Body</b>		
<b>Report to be considered by:</b>	<b>Cllr Mike Rodger</b>	<b>on:</b>	<b>01 July 2004</b>
<b>Forward Plan Ref:</b>	<b>ID0814</b>		

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**Purpose of Report:** To consider nominations for representatives on the Association of Councils of the Thames Valley Region (ACTVaR) and the European Group of (ACTVaR) for 2004/2005

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**Recommended Action:** To agree the Council's representation on ACTVaR and the European Group of ACTVaR

**Reason for decision to be taken:**

- The Annual General Meeting of ACTVaR will take place on the 16<sup>th</sup> July and West Berkshire Council's Representatives need to be confirmed prior to this.

**List of other options considered:**

- None

**Key background documentation:**

- None

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## Supporting Information

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### Background

- 1.1 The Annual General Meeting of ACTVaR will take place on the 16<sup>th</sup> July 2004 and the representatives from West Berkshire Council need to be appointed before then.
- 1.2 In terms of the Association's Constitution West Berkshire Council is entitled to be represented by two Members at meetings. In addition the Council is entitled to appoint two substitutes, although the Regional Secretary should be informed prior to the meeting should the substitutes be required to attend.
- 1.3 The Council is also entitled to send two non-voting observers to meetings. It has been suggested that the substitutes and observers overlap.
- 1.4 Each Authority may also appoint one Officer to accompany the Member(s) to the meeting.
- 1.5 Each Local Authority is also requested to appoint one Member and one Substitute to the European Group of ACTVaR. This Member does not have to be appointed to ACTVaR although the Chairman of the European Group must be a member of ACTVaR.
- 1.6 The ACTVaR representatives for 2003/2004 were Cllr Dr Royce Longton and Cllr Brian Bedwell , Cllr Owen Jeffery (Substitute), and Jim Graham (Officer).
- 1.7 The European Representatives for 2003/2004 were Cllr Brian Bedwell and Paul James (Officer).
- 1.8 The Table below shows the names of Members that have expressed an interest in representing West Berkshire Council on ACTVaR and European ACTVaR for 2004/2005.

Organisation	Member	Sub	Non-voting Observer	Officer
ACTVaR	Brian Bedwell Royce Longton	John Chapman Owen Jeffery	John Chapman Owen Jeffery	Jim Graham
European ACTVaR	Brain Bedwell or John Farrin	John Chapman or Royce Longton	N/a	Stephen Smyth

### Appendices

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None

### Implications

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<b>Policy:</b>	The proposal outlined in this report is not in contradiction to any of the Council's existing policies, including those outlined in the Corporate Plan.
<b>Financial:</b>	The payment of travelling and subsistence claims.
<b>Personnel:</b>	None
<b>Legal:</b>	None

<b>Environmental:</b>	None
<b>Equalities:</b>	None
<b>Partnering:</b>	None
<b>Property:</b>	None
<b>Risk Management:</b>	None
<b>Community Safety:</b>	None

## Consultation Responses

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### Members:

<b>Leader of Council:</b>	Cllr Royce Longton supports the nomination of John Farrin as the ACTVaR European Member.
<b>Select Committee Chairman:</b>	Cllr Keith Chopping supported the nomination of Cllr Brian Bedwell as a WBC representative on ACTVaR and European ACTVaR. He also supported the nomination of Cllr John Chapman as a substitute and non-voting observer on ACTVaR.
<b>P&amp;L Committee Chairman:</b>	N/a
<b>Ward Members:</b>	N/a
<b>Opposition Spokesperson:</b>	Cllr Keith Chopping supported the nomination of Cllr Brian Bedwell as a WBC representative on ACTVaR and European ACTVaR. He also supported the nomination of Cllr John Chapman as a substitute and non-voting observer on ACTVaR.
<b>Advisory Members:</b>	N/a
<b>Local Stakeholders:</b>	N/a
<b>Officers Consulted:</b>	Andy Day, Steve Clarke, Chris Gee, Paul James
<b>Trade Union:</b>	N/a