

Individual Decision

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Thursday, 19th November, 2015

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Individual Executive Member Decision

Title of Report:	Appointment of Representatives on the West Berkshire Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education
Report to be considered by:	Individual Executive Member Decision
Date on which Decision is to be taken:	19 November 2015
Forward Plan Ref:	ID3025

Purpose of Report: To recommend the appointment of Ms Jo Davis as an ATL (Association of Teachers and Lecturers) representative on the West Berkshire Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education. To recommend the appointment of Mrs Elizabeth Housden as a Catholic representative on the West Berkshire Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education.

Recommended Action: To agree the appointment of Ms Jo Davis as an ATL representative and Mrs Elizabeth Housden as a Catholic representative on the West Berkshire Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education.

Reason for decision to be taken: To fill two vacancies on the Group.

Other options considered: n/a

Key background documentation: Education Act 1996

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Implications

Policy:	In accordance with Section 390 of the Education Act 1996 the SACRE requires representations from an ATL Group and the Catholic faith.
Financial:	n/a
Personnel:	n/a
Legal/Procurement:	n/a
Environmental:	n/a
Property:	n/a
Risk Management:	n/a
Equalities Impact Assessment:	The above communities would have a full quorum of representatives.

Consultation Responses

Members:

Leader of Council:	Councillor Gordon Lundie
Overview & Scrutiny Management Commission Chairman:	Councillor Emma Webster
Ward Members:	All Members
Opposition Spokesperson:	Councillor Mollie Lock
Local Stakeholders:	WBC SACRE:- Jo Fageant, Adviser
Officers Consulted:	n/a
Trade Union:	n/a

Is this item subject to call-in?	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No: <input type="checkbox"/>
If not subject to call-in please put a cross in the appropriate box:		
The item is due to be referred to Council for final approval		<input type="checkbox"/>
Delays in implementation could have serious financial implications for the Council		<input type="checkbox"/>
Delays in implementation could compromise the Council's position		<input type="checkbox"/>
Considered or reviewed by Overview and Scrutiny Management Commission or associated Task Groups within preceding six months		<input type="checkbox"/>
Item is Urgent Key Decision		<input type="checkbox"/>
Report is to note only		<input type="checkbox"/>

Supporting Information

1. Background

- 1.1 The Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education (SACRE) was established in accordance with Section 390 of the Education Act 1996 by West Berkshire District Council acting as the Local Education Authority.
- 1.2 The SACRE was established to set the RE syllabus, advise the Local Authority on matters connected with religious worship and advise on methods of teaching, the choice of materials used and the provision of training for teachers.

2. Nominations for membership of the West Berkshire SACRE

- 2.1 The Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education comprises four groups each with a single vote to use when voting is necessary.
The four groups are:

Group A: Representative of Christian denominations other than the Church of England and of other religions	Group B: Church of England representatives
Group C: One representative from each of the following teacher association: NUT, NAS/UWT, ATL, PAT. NAHT and ASCL	Group D Representatives of the local authority

- 2.2 The Local Authority is responsible for appointing members of each of these four committees. This is usually achieved by seeking nominations from each area.
- 2.3 A nomination has been received for Ms Jo Davis, ATL representative and following consultation no objections were received to this nomination.
- 2.4 A nomination has been received for Mrs Elizabeth Housden, Catholic representative. Mrs Housden has been nominated by the Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth. Following consultation no objections were received to this nomination.
- 2.5 It should also be noted that Councillor Sheila Ellison has been co-opted on to SACRE as a Group D Member.
- 2.6 It is therefore proposed that these nominations be accepted.

Appendices

There are no appendices to this report.

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Individual Executive Member Decision

Title of Report:	Outside Body Appointments – Charity of Mrs Mabel Luke and Henwick Worthy Joint Management Commission
Report to be considered by:	Individual Executive Member Decision
Date on which Decision is to be taken:	19 th November 2015
Forward Plan Ref:	ID3051

Purpose of Report: To consider West Berkshire Council nominations to the following outside bodies:

- Charity of Mrs Mabel Luke
- Henwick Worthy JMC

Recommended Action: To agree the Council's representatives on the following outside bodies:

- Charity of Mrs Mabel Luke
- Henwick Worthy JMC

Reason for decision to be taken: To ensure that the Council is represented on the outside organisations

Other options considered: Not to appoint representatives

Key background documentation: None

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Date Portfolio Member agreed report:	

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Implications

Policy:	Appointments will be made in accordance with Part 13 Appendix J (Protocol for Council Representation on Outside Bodies) of the Council's Constitution
Financial:	West Berkshire Council Members are not paid to attend Outside Body meetings however any costs associated with meeting attendance will be met from within existing Members Allowances budget where the Outside Body does not pay these costs.
Personnel:	None
Legal/Procurement:	None
Property:	None
Risk Management:	None

Is this item relevant to equality?	Please tick relevant boxes	
	Yes	No
Does the policy affect service users, employees or the wider community and:		
• Is it likely to affect people with particular protected characteristics differently?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• Is it a major policy, significantly affecting how functions are delivered?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• Will the policy have a significant impact on how other organisations operate in terms of equality?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• Does the policy relate to functions that engagement has identified as being important to people with particular protected characteristics?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
• Does the policy relate to an area with known inequalities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Outcome (Where one or more 'Yes' boxes are ticked, the item is relevant to equality)		
Relevant to equality - Complete an EIA available at http://intranet/EqIA		<input type="checkbox"/>
Not relevant to equality		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Consultation Responses

Members:

Leader of Council:	Councillor Roger Croft – no response received
Overview & Scrutiny Management Commission Chairman:	Councillor Emma Webster – no response received
Ward Members:	None
Opposition Spokesperson:	Councillor Alan Macro – no response received
Local Stakeholders:	Mr Tony Vickers (on behalf of the Mrs Mabel Luke Charity) and Stewart Souden (Henwick Worthy JMC)
Officers Consulted:	Nathan Gregory

Trade Union:

Not consulted

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Report is to note only		<input type="checkbox"/>

Supporting Information

1. Background

- 1.1 The Council is required to appoint representatives to a range of Outside Bodies. The bulk of these appointments were made via an Individual Decision in June 2015 and the appointments were aligned to the Council's electoral cycle. From time to time the authority is required to revisit these appointments for a variety of reasons.
- 1.2 Appointments will be made in accordance with Appendix J to Part 13 of the Constitution (Protocol for Council Representatives on Outside Bodies).

2. Charity of Mrs Mabel Luke

- 2.1 The Charity is responsible for the management of four Almshouses for beneficiaries from Newbury and Greenham. The appointee would be expected to attend as a trustee with legal responsibilities and voting rights.
- 2.2 The Charity has stated that they would prefer the trustee to be a resident of Newbury Town Council or Greenham Parish Areas but that they are not a Victoria Ward Member.
- 2.3 In June 2015 Councillor Mollie Lock was appointed to this role but as Councillor Lock is not a resident of Newbury or Greenham she felt that she was not a suitable candidate.
- 2.4 The following Member has expressed an interest in being nominated to this Outside Body: Councillor Jeanette Clifford.

3. Henwick Worthy Joint Management Committee

- 3.1 The Committee is tasked with discussing issues of policy relating to the sports and recreational centres at the Henwick Worthy sports fields. The appointees have legal responsibilities and voting rights but do not need to be a current member of West Berkshire Council. The JMC have recently adjusted their constitution to increase the membership of the Committee to ensure that meetings are quorate. The Council is now required to appoint three members and two substitutes to the Group. The Chairmanship alternates between Thatcham Town and West Berkshire Councils.
- 3.2 In June 2015 Councillors Marigold Jacques and Nick Goodes were appointed to this role and Councillor Graham Pask was appointed as a substitute.
- 3.3 The following Members have expressed an interest in being nominated as substantive Members to this Outside Body: Councillors Marigold Jacques, Nick Goodes and Graham Pask.
- 3.4 The Members who have expressed an interest being nominated as substitute Members to this Outside Body is to be confirmed by 19 November 2015.

4. Equalities Impact Assessment Outcomes

- 4.1 There are no equalities issues associated with this report.

5. Conclusion

- 5.1 That the Council appoints representatives to the organisations as set out in the paragraphs above.

Appendices

There are no Appendices to this report.

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