

Individual Decision

Title of Report:	Representation on Outside Bodies – Thames Valley Chamber of Commerce		
Report to be considered by:	Councillor Royce Longton	on:	04 June 2004
Forward Plan Ref:	ID0790		

Purpose of Report:

To consider nominations to the Thames Valley Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

Recommended Action:

To agree the Council's representation on the Thames Valley Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Reason for decision to be taken:

- The Council's current representative has decided not to continue.

List of other options considered:

- None

Key background documentation:

- Not

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Supporting Information

1. Background

- 1.1 Thames Valley Chamber of Commerce Group is a network of local Chambers (one of which is the West Berkshire Chamber) which monitor and respond to issues of specific relevance. They provide a gateway for local, regional, national and international business to interact, focusing on local issues, liaising as necessary with public, private and voluntary sector organisations, in order to promote the continued economic well being of the area in which they operate.
- 1.2 West Berkshire Council is entitled to appoint one representative who ideally should have a business or commercial background, preferably at senior management level and possess a detailed understanding of local economic issues.
- 1.3 Councillor James Mole was the Council's representative but due to other commitments he has decided to resign his appointment.
- 1.4 Members are appointed for the life of the Council and Councillor Roger Hunnemann has indicated that he would like to represent West Berkshire Council on the Thames Valley Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

Appendices

None.

Implications

Policy:	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.
Financial:	The payment of travelling and subsistence claims.
Personnel:	None
Legal:	None
Environmental:	None
Equalities:	None
Partnering:	Liaison with public, private and voluntary sector organisations as appropriate.
Property:	None
Risk Management:	None
Community Safety:	None

Consultation Responses

Members:

Leader of Council:	Cllr Royce Longton
Select Committee Chairmen:	Cllr Keith Chopping
P&L Committee Chairman:	N/a
Ward Members:	N/a
Opposition Spokesperson:	Cllr Keith Chopping
Advisory Members:	N/a
Local Stakeholders:	N/a
Officers Consulted:	Andy Day, Chris Gee, Steve Clarke
Trade Union:	N/a