

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

This matter is not a Key Decision within the Council's definition and has not been included in the Forward Plan.

**REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF
LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE
TO CABINET ON 24 SEPTEMBER 2014**

APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To agree the appointment of a nominated Trustee to the Wombwell Town Land Charity and five Trustees to the Shaw Lands Trust and to agree the appointment of a Cabinet Member to the Minding the Gap Multi-Agency Steering Group.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 **Recommended to Council that approval be given to the appointment of a Trustee to the Wombwell Town Land Charity with immediate effect;**
- 2.2 **Recommended to Council that approval be given to the appointment of five representatives as Trustees to the Shaw Lands Trust for a three year term; and**
- 2.3 **That approval be given to the appointment of an Executive Member (Councillor Tim Cheetham) to the Minding the Gap Multi-Agency Steering Group.**

3. WOMBWELL TOWN LAND CHARITY

Background

- 3.1 The Wombwell Town Land Charity provides housing accommodation and support for people in need, hardship or distress, and who are residents in the town of Wombwell. Preference is given to persons who have a connection with mining industry.
- 3.2 Should it not be possible to apply the Charity's income to meet its objectives within Wombwell, it may be applied within the same manner within the Borough of Barnsley.
- 3.3 The Charity is made up of four nominated Trustees and four Co-opted Trustees. Nominated Trustees must be appointed by Barnsley MBC for a four year term. Persons appointed do not have to be members of the Council.

Current Position

- 3.4 Barnsley MBC's nominated Trustees are Councillors Morgan, Frost and R Wraith and there is one vacancy.

Proposal

- 3.5 It is proposed that approval be given to the appointment of a Trustee to the Wombwell Town Land Charity.

4. SHAW LANDS TRUST

Background

- 4.1 The Shaw Lands Trust dates back to 1568. It supports charitable groups and also offers educational bursaries for individuals in Barnsley. Projects run by a charitable group must either be a Barnsley Borough-wide project or be based in the borders of the town of Barnsley as it was when the Trust was set up. There is the preference for projects benefitting young people, but not exclusively so. On average, grants are in the region of £500.
- 4.2 The Council nominates nine representatives to the Shaw Lands Trust. At the moment our current representatives are Councillors D Birkinshaw, Burgess, Hayward, Mitchell, Richardson and T Sheard; Mr S Henshaw, Mr B Swaine and Mr M Price.

Current Position

- 4.3 The Clerk to the Trust has written to the Authority advising that the terms of office of Councillors Burgess, T Sheard, D Birkinshaw and Mitchell and Mr Swaine will expire in October.

Proposal

- 4.4 It is proposed that approval be given to the appointment of five representatives as Trustees to the Shaw Lands Trust for a three year term.

5. MINDING THE GAP MULTI-AGENCY STEERING GROUP

Background

- 5.1 Minding the Gap is a regional health inequalities programme that, since 2007, has been involved in the promotion of wellbeing and inclusion through pro-actively preventing ill health and by integrating the support of social care, planning, employment, benefits, housing, transport and all other elements that build a sustainable community.
- 5.2 The project is a local authority hosted regional resource that aims to:-
- Support networking and communication on health inequalities across all local authorities in the region;
 - Develop meaningful dialogue on health inequalities with senior political policy makers (Executive Members, Chief Executives and Directors);
 - Promote dialogue and sharing of good practice on health inequalities, developing and providing toolkits, and commissioning and rolling out analysis of practice with a focus on those who are unaware of the health inequalities agenda; and
 - Maintain and develop an e-newsletter that is distributed amongst all Elected Members within Yorkshire and the Humber, senior officers within local authorities, health partners and the voluntary sector to promote the need to reduce health inequalities.

- 5.3 The project is managed by Wakefield MBC and by quarterly meetings of the Steering Group which is comprised of senior Elected Members, representatives of partnership organisations, Directors of Public Health, Directors of Adult Services, local authority officers and senior academics and representatives from Public Health England, Local Government Association and the community and voluntary sector.

Current Position

- 5.4 The Council has been approached by the Minding the Gap project coordinator to seek the nomination of an Executive Member on the Steering Group.

Proposal

- 5.5 It is proposed that approval be given to the appointment of an Executive Member to the Minding the Gap Multi-Agency Steering Group.

6. FINANCIAL, STAFFING, CRIME AND DISORDER AND LOCAL AREA IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 None.

7. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Documentation available for inspection in the Council Governance Unit, Legal and Governance, Town Hall, Barnsley, Telephone (01226) 773425.

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