

BARNSELY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF
LEGAL AND GOVERNANCE
TO CABINET ON 14 JANUARY 2015

**APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO THE DEARNE VALLEY LANDSCAPE
PARTNERSHIP BOARD**

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To agree the nomination of a local Ward Member to the Dearne Valley Landscape Partnership (DVLP) Board.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That approval be given to the appointment of a local Ward Member to the Dearne Valley Landscape Partnership Board.**

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Dearne Valley Landscape Partnership Board meets on a quarterly basis to provide strategic direction and oversight to the Dearne Valley Landscape Partnership. The Board consists of both officers and Member representatives from Barnsley, Rotherham and Doncaster Councils, along with a key representative from each of the following: Natural England, Environment Agency, Garganey Trust, Groundwork, RSPB, Eco-Vision, Environmental Community Group, and Heritage Community Group.
- 3.2 Barnsley Council acts as lead partner and is accountable body to the Heritage Lottery Fund for the delivery of the programme.
- 3.3 The Partnership has set out the following requirements for Board members:-
- a) Personal Attributes for DVLP Board Members
- Commitment to the DVLP and its vision and objectives;
 - Willingness to devote the necessary time and effort at least four meetings per year;
 - Integrity and good inter-personal skills;
 - Ability to think creatively and with vision;
 - Ability to work effectively as a team member with a shared sense of purpose;
 - Willingness to learn and be informed of both the activities of the DVLP and the context in which it operates; and
 - Understanding and acceptance of the legal duties, responsibilities and liabilities of DVLP Board membership.

b) Skills and Expertise for DVLP Board Members

- Local knowledge, experience, expertise and any relevant qualifications within their field of work that relate to the three main programme outcomes;
- An understanding of the Dearne Valley and its priorities;
- Understanding of the language and structures of the DVLP and experience of partnership working; and
- Ability and willingness to be an active ambassador for the DVLP through networking and marketing the DVLP programme to appropriate individuals, communities and organisations.

4. CURRENT POSITION

- 4.1 The Secretary to the Partnership has requested that a local Member, with awareness and understanding of the key issues affecting the Dearne Valley and who is well connected into local networks, be appointed as the Council's representative on the Partnership Board.

5. PROPOSAL

- 5.1 It is proposed that approval be given to the appointment of a local Ward Member to the Dearne Valley Landscape Partnership Board.

6. FINANCIAL AND EMPLOYEE IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 None.

7. REDUCTION OF CRIME AND DISORDER

- 7.1 None.

8. LOCAL AREA IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 The DVLP Board will provide strategic direction and oversight of the Partnership's activities in the Dearne Valley.

9. COMPATIBILITY WITH EUROPEAN CONVENTION ON HUMAN RIGHTS

- 9.1 There are no implications relating to the Human Rights Act arising from the report.

10. LIST OF APPENDICES

None.

11. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Documentation available for inspection in the Governance and Member Support Unit, Legal and Governance Directorate, Town Hall, Barnsley.

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