# South Lakeland District Council Lake Administration Committee Friday, 1 July 2022

# **Appointment to Outside Bodies 2022/23**

Portfolio: Not Applicable

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(Monitoring Officer)

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Wards: Ambleside & Grasmere; Bowness & Levens; Broughton & Coniston;

Cartmel; Windermere;

Forward Plan: Not applicable

#### **Links to Council Plan Priorities:**

Working across boundaries – Appointing to Outside Bodies assists in the delivery of the Council Plan through partnership working across boundaries.

Delivering a balanced community - N/A

A fairer South Lakeland - N/A

Addressing the climate emergency – N/A

### 1.0 Expected Outcome and Measures of Success

1.1 This report is presented to receive any updates from Members on the Windermere Lake Action Plan Steering Group and Windermere Ferry Advisory Committee (to be provided verbally) and to nominate representatives to serve on the Steering Group and Windermere Ferry Advisory Committee for the forthcoming year.

#### 2.0 Recommendation

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Lake Administration Committee:-
  - (1) notes the appended reports from Members on the work of the Windermere Lake Action Plan Steering Group and Windermere Ferry Advisory Committee for the period 2021/22;
  - (2) appoints representatives to serve on the Windermere Lake Action Plan Steering Group for the forthcoming year, in accordance with the makeup of the Group's membership as set out in paragraph 3.5; and
  - (3) appoints a representative to the Windermere Ferry Advisory Committee for the forthcoming year.

## 3.0 Background and Proposals

3.1 Members appointed as representatives to outside bodies are required to provide an annual report. Where written reports are not provided, Members may wish to take the opportunity to report orally at the meeting.

- 3.2 The Committee is asked to receive and note the verbal update from Members serving on the Windermere Lake Action Plan Steering Group in accordance with the membership requirements set out in paragraph 3.5 below.
- 3.3 The Windermere Lake Action Plan 2017-22 was adopted by this Committee at its meeting in October 2017. The Action Plan confirmed that Authority oversight on plan delivery and review will be provided by a Member's Steering Group comprising members from the Lake District National Park Authority and the Lake Administration Committee. The remit of the Windermere Lake Action Plan Steering Group is:
  - To drive and oversee the delivery and review of the Windermere Lake Action Plan
  - To receive progress reports from the Delivery Group
  - To consider and agree amendments to the Plan in light of delivery and circumstantial changes.
  - To enable community accountability for the Plan's delivery and achievement.
  - To make recommendations to the appropriate decision making committee in the Authorities where relevant.

The Membership of the Group is as follows:

- Lake District National Park Authority 2 members
- Lake Administration Committee 4 members, comprising 2 SLDC members and 1 member each from Lakes Parish Council and Windermere Town Council.

Meetings are to take place on a 6 monthly basis.

- 3.4 During 2021/22, the Lake Administration Committee appointed the following councillors to the Windermere Lake Action Steering Group
  - Councillor Ian Wharton (South Lakeland District Council)
  - Councillor Doug Rathbone (South Lakeland District Council)
  - Councillor Paul William Wileman (Lakes Parish Council)
  - Councillor Peter Hamilton (Windermere Town Council)
- 3.5 The Committee is asked to appoint 2 District Council members, 1 Lakes Parish Council member and 1 Windermere Town Council member.
- 3.6 At the meeting of the Lake Administration Committee on 25 January 2019 the Director of Policy and Resources (Monitoring Officer) advised Members that at its meeting on 20 December 2018, the County Council Cabinet had received a report from the South Lakeland Local Area Committee. The report contained a review of the Windermere car ferry incident and included details of the repair programme and lessons learned. Members were informed that the County Council Cabinet had supported the Area Committee's recommendation for the introduction of a Windermere Ferry Advisory Group and the Area Committee would formally consider the Terms of Reference of the Group at a future meeting.
- 3.7 The Terms of Reference for the Windermere Ferry Advisory Group were considered and agreed at a meeting of the Cumbria County Council Local Area Committee on 4 June 2019. As part of this consideration the following membership of the advisory group was agreed:

- Cumbria County Council Elected Members x 6;
- Lake Administration Committee x 1; and
- Parish Council Representatives x 2 (one from Windermere and one shared between Hawkshead and Claife Parish Councils).
- 3.8 At the committee meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2021, the committee appointed Councillor Ian Wharton to the Windermere Ferry Advisory Group.
- 3.9 The Committee is asked to appoint 1 Lake Administration Committee Member to the Windermere Ferry Advisory Group.

# 4.0 Appendices Attached to this Report

- 4.1 Representation on Outside Bodies Report 2022
- 5.0 Consultation
- 5.1 Not applicable.
- 6.0 Alternative Options
- 6.1 Not to appoint representatives, this would be counter-productive to the work of the Committee.

### 7.0 Implications

# Financial, Resources and Procurement

7.1 Members appointed to serve as representatives on outside bodies are entitled to claim for travel and subsistence as detailed within Schedule 2 of Part 6 of the Council's Constitution - Members' Allowances Scheme. Provision for this has been made within the Council's Revenue Budget.

### **Human Resources**

7.2 Not applicable.

#### Legal

7.3 Not applicable.

## **Health and Sustainability Impact Assessment**

- 7.4 Have you completed a Health and Sustainability Impact Assessment? No
- 7.5 If you have not completed an Impact Assessment, please explain your reasons: This proposal is considered to have a neutral impact.
- 7.6 Summary of Health and Sustainability Impacts

		Positive	Neutral	Negative	Unknown
Environment and Health	Greenhouse gases emissions		Х		
	Air Quality		Х		
	Biodiversity		Х		
	Impacts of Climate Change		Х		
	Reduced or zero requirement for energy, building space, materials or travel		Х		

	Active Travel	X	
Economy and Culture	Inclusive and sustainable development	X	
	Jobs and levels of pay	X	
	Healthier high streets	Χ	
	Culture, creativity and heritage	Χ	
Housing and Communities	Standard of housing	Χ	
	Access to housing	X	
	Crime	X	
	Social connectedness	Χ	

# **Equality and Diversity**

- 7.7 Have you completed an Equality Impact Analysis? No
- 7.8 If you have not completed an Impact Analysis, please explain your reasons: This proposal is considered to have a neutral impact.
- 7.9 Summary of Equality and Diversity impacts

Please indicate: P = Positive impact; 0 = Neutral; N = Negative	e; Enter "X"	
Age	0	
Disability	0	
Gender reassignment (transgender)	0	
Marriage & civil partnership	0	
Pregnancy & maternity	0	
Race/ethnicity	0	
Religion or belief	0	
Sex/gender	0	
Sexual orientation	0	
Armed forces families	0	
Rurality	0	
Socio-economic disadvantage	0	

Risk Management	Consequence	Controls required		
Not to appoint representatives	This would be counterproductive to the work of the Committee	Representatives to be appointed		

# **Contact Officers**

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# **Background Documents Available**

None

# **Tracking Information**

Signed off by	Date sent	Date Signed off
Section 151 Officer	28/06/2022	30/06/2022
Monitoring Officer	28/06/2022	30/06/2022
CMT	N/A	

Circulated to	Date sent
Lead Specialist	N/A
Human Resources Lead Specialist	N/A
Communications Team	N/A
Leader	N/A
Committee Chairman	N/A
Portfolio Holder	N/A
Ward Councillor(s)	N/A
Committee	N/A
Executive (Cabinet)	N/A
Council	N/A