Report



Meeting ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

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Report of the Assistant Director Culture & Community (Leisure & Culture)

Experience Nottinghamshire Board Representation

Purpose of Report

To request approval for two County Councillors to be nominated to represent this authority on the Board of Experience Nottinghamshire.

Information & Advice

- In April 2004, Cabinet approved the County Council's involvement in the newly established tourism partnership 'Experience Nottinghamshire'.
- The new partnership which brings together a range of stakeholders and funding agencies is charged with raising the profile of Nottinghamshire in order to increase tourism in all its forms.
- The new partnership is funded by regional agencies including the East Midlands Development Agency, East Midlands Tourism, the City Council, district councils and the private sector. The County council's annual contribution is £140,000.
- The Experience Nottinghamshire Board has a wide range of representation from both the public and private sector. The Board is currently chaired by the Chief Executive of 'Experian' and serviced by an offer team led by Experience Nottinghamshire's Chief Executive, John Heeley.
- Experience Nottinghamshire's constitution entitles the County Council to two voting members on the Board. The Board meets quarterly to receive organisational progress reports and to make decisions relating to future priorities.
- 7 The County Council has a legally binding service level agreement with Experience Nottinghamshire, relating to the level of investment the council provides.

Statutory and Policy Implications

This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, personnel, crime and disorder and those using the service. Where such implications are material; they have been described in the text of the report.

Recommendation

It is recommended that approval be given for two County Councillors (Cllr Chris Baron and Cllr John Cottee) to be nominated to represent this Authority on the Board of 'Experience Nottinghamshire'.

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Director of Resources Financial Comments (CC/RWK)

The only costs likely to be incurred will be reimbursement of travel to meetings which will be met from the Members' Allowances Budget.

Legal Services' Comments (KS/13.9.05)

Under the constitution of the County Council the making of appointments to outside bodies relating to functions of the Council is a matter reserved to the Administration Committee. The Committee should make the appointment in accordance with the "Code of Conduct for Representatives on Outside Bodies". In addition, the Committee must be satisfied that the proposals and recommendations are consistent with the Council's Policy Guidance for County Council Involvement in Partnerships and Outside Bodies.

Background Papers Available for Inspection

- Original report to Cabinet 21 April 2004, outlining the partnership with Experience Nottinghamshire.
- Experience Nottinghamshire's Constitution

Electoral Divisions Affected

County-wide