



REPORT OF THE LEADER OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL

APPOINTMENT TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Purpose of the Report

1. To seek approval to add the D2N2 Infrastructure and Investment Board to the Council's Outside Body appointment list and to appoint the Chairs of the Economic Development Committee and Transport and Highways Committee as members of that Board.
2. To seek approval to add Marketing Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Ltd (formerly Experience Nottinghamshire Ltd) to the Outside Body appointment list and to appoint the Chair of the Economic Development Committee as a Director on that company's Board.
3. To seek approval to add the Municipal General Charity, Newark to the Outside Body appointment list and to nominate a representative to act as a Trustee of that charity.
4. To seek approval to the appointment of the Service Director, Transport, Property and Environment as a second deputy to represent the County Council on the board of Scape System Build Limited (SSBL).

Information and Advice

The D2N2 Infrastructure and Investment Board

5. The D2N2 Local Enterprise Board (LEP) is responsible for determining the economic strategy for the region and setting the priorities for funding within its remit through the collective work of private sector representatives, the current D2 (Derby and Derbyshire) and N2 (Nottingham and Nottinghamshire) Joint Committees and other public sector bodies. Councillor Rhodes is the County Council's representative on the D2N2 LEP Board.
6. The D2N2 Infrastructure and Investment Board (IIB) is responsible for overseeing the administration of the LEP's Local Growth Fund on behalf of the D2N2 LEP Board.
7. The IIB will take decisions on behalf of the D2N2 LEP Board for:
 - Individual scheme funding
 - Release of funding including scrutiny of individual scheme business cases
 - Monitoring progress of scheme delivery and spend
 - Recommending to the LEP Board a programme to respond to changed circumstances (scheme slippage, scheme alteration, cost increases etc)

8. The Authority has been asked to nominate two members for the IIB. Given the nature of the IIB's business, it is recommended that the Chairman of Transport and Highways Committee and Chair of Economic Development Committee serve as the Council's representatives, for the period up to the County Council elections in May 2017.

Marketing Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Ltd

9. Experience Nottinghamshire Ltd the tourism marketing body for Nottinghamshire has recently expanded its objectives and operations and reframed its structure as a company to take on a broader remit for place marketing including both attracting visitors and inward investment. These changes were considered by Economic Development Committee on 1 April 2015 as funding for this organisation is agreed through that Committee.
10. The re-modelling of Experience Nottinghamshire has required four main changes to the company :
- the company has been re-named Marketing Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Ltd
 - the Board has been re-shaped to reflect its wider remit with 3 Directors each for both the Visitor Economy and Inward Investment sectors
 - there will be three local authority Directors with these being from the County Council, Nottingham City Council and Newark and Sherwood District Council
 - local authorities' combined voting rights as members of the company will increase from 20% to 30%, with the ability to effect changes in key positions on the board through the company's Articles of Association. This will allow the Councils collectively to exercise control over the appointment of the Chair and Directors. The Company will become a local authority 'influenced' company.
11. Given these changes to the Board of the Company, it is recommended that the Chair of Economic Development Committee is appointed as the County Council's Director on the Board.

Municipal General Charity, Newark

12. The Clerk for the Municipal General Charity in Newark has requested that the Council nominate a representative (who does not have to be a County Councillor) to serve as a Trustee of the charity for a period of four years. The charity provides support for people in conditions of need, hardship or distress in the Newark area.
13. The charity states in their letter that "The Trustees feel that the nomination of a County Councillor would help this charity considerably. In particular it would be helpful if the nominee lived locally."
14. The recommendation is that the Team Manager, Democratic Services (after consultation with the Business Manager of the Labour Group) nominate a Trustee for the Charity for a period of four years.

Scape System Build Limited (SSBL)

15. SSBL is a local authority controlled company whose stakeholders are Nottinghamshire County Council and five other local authorities (the "Shareholders"). SSBL provides building

design and procurement services and was originally established as a trading company to further the aims and objectives of the CLASP Consortium.

16. The County Council's director to the SSBL board is Councillor David Kirkham. Councillor Darren Langton deputises for Councillor Kirkham when he is not able to attend.
17. Councillor Kirkham, as director to the SSBL board, may appoint his deputy to attend board meetings in his place. Councillor Kirkham has the authority to authorise his deputy to the position of "alternative director" allowing that person to take on the responsibilities of the director in the director's absence and to vote at board meetings.
18. The Committee is asked to consider the appointment of the Service Director Transport, Property and Environment, as a second deputy. The Service Director attends most SSBL board meetings on behalf of the Council and works to support Councillor Kirkham or Councillor Langton (when he is deputising). A number of other shareholders have appointed representatives to act in the capacity of second deputy. The appointment of a second deputy would provide additional cover for the Council and allow business to be progressed on behalf of the Council where Councillor Kirkham and Councillor Langton are unable to attend.

Other Options Considered

19. Policy Committee could decide not to make the appointments.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

20. To respond to the requests from the D2N2 Infrastructure and Investment Board and the Municipal General Charity; and to provide cover for the Council on the SSBL board should the Council's appointed representatives be unavailable.

Statutory and Policy Implications

21. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (public health services), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and adults at risk, service users, sustainability and the environment and ways of working and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Financial Implications

22. None arising from the report.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1) That the D2N2 Infrastructure and Investment Board and the Municipal General Charity be added to the Outside Body appointment list.

- 2) That the Team Manager, Democratic Services (after consultation with the Business Manager of the Labour Group), nominate a Trustee for the Charity for a period of four years.
- 3) That Marketing Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Ltd be added to the Outside Body appointment list in place of Experience Nottinghamshire Ltd, and the Chair of the Economic Development Committee be appointed as the County Council's Director on the company's Board.
- 4) That the Chairman of Transport and Highways Committee and Chair of Economic Development Committee be appointed to serve on the D2N2 Infrastructure and Investment Board on behalf of the Council for the period up to the County Council elections in May 2017.
- 5) That the Service Director Transport, Property and Environment be appointed to serve on the board of Scape System Build Limited as second deputy as required.

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LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

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Constitutional Comments (SLB 27/05/2015)

23. Policy Committee is the appropriate body to consider the content of this report.

Financial Comments (SES 28/05/15)

24. There are no specific financial implications arising directly from this report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

- Letter from Derbyshire County Council dated 22nd May 2015
- Letter from Municipal General Charity dated 3rd September 2014

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

- All