



PART A:	MATTERS DEALT WITH UNDER DELEGATED POWERS
REPORT TO:	OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
DATE:	9 APRIL 2015
REPORT OF THE:	CHIEF EXECUTIVE JANET WAGGOTT
TITLE OF REPORT:	APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES
WARDS AFFECTED:	ALL

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To consider the revised list of outside bodies attached as Annex A and the proposal to link appointments to specific roles or wards.

2.0 RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 2.1 It is recommended that the list of outside bodies attached as Annex A and the proposal to link appointments to specific roles and wards be supported.

3.0 REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION(S)

- 3.1 To make appointments to outside bodies as effective and efficient as possible.

4.0 SIGNIFICANT RISKS

- 4.1 There are no significant risks relating to this proposal.

5.0 POLICY CONTEXT AND CONSULTATION

- 5.1 This review links into corporate aim 5 (to transform the Council) and strategic objectives 9 (to know our communities and meet their needs) and 10 (to develop the leadership, capacity and capability to deliver future improvements).
- 5.2 This report facilitates consultation with and comments from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The Policy and Resources Committee have also been consulted.

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6.0 REPORT DETAILS

6.1 Full Council on 6 March 2014 approved a series of recommendations arising from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee's review of outside bodies and Member Champions.

6.2 These recommendations have now been implemented, with the exception of the following, which is due to be introduced from May 2015:

That appointments to outside bodies be for four year terms, from 2015 onwards to coincide with the District elections, subject to an annual review by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to address any issues with attendance or publication of précis;

6.3 To enable this recommendation to be implemented as effectively and as efficiently as possible, and to build on the work of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, the Chief Executive has suggested a further review of the list of outside bodies and the mechanism for appointing to them.

6.4 It is proposed to slim down the list of outside bodies to focus on those which most directly contribute to the Council's aims and strategic objectives. The proposed list of outside bodies is attached as Annex A to this report.

6.5 It is also proposed to link appointments to specific roles or wards. Many of the outside bodies have links to the work of the Leader, chairmen and vice chairmen of committees and Member Champions. Other outside bodies have links to specific ward areas. It is proposed that appointments to these bodies be directly linked to roles or ward areas as applicable, as indicated in Annex A.

6.6 An annual report could then be produced by the Leader, chairmen and vice chairmen of committees and Member Champions summarising their work on outside bodies, rather than a précis after each individual meeting of each separate body.

7.0 IMPLICATIONS

7.1 The following implications have been identified:

a) Financial
None

b) Legal
None

c) Other (Equalities, Staffing, Planning, Health & Safety, Environmental, Crime & Disorder)
None

8.0 NEXT STEPS

8.1 If the Overview and Scrutiny Committee are supportive of these proposals, the list attached at Annex A will be presented to Annual Council for its consideration.

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Background Papers:

The report of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on its review of outside bodies and Member champions.

The minutes of Full Council on 6 March 2014.

Background Papers are available for inspection at:

<http://democracy.ryedale.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=114&MId=1100&Ver=4>