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## REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES

To: **Council Meeting – 31 March 2016**

By: **Committee Services Manager**

Classification: **Unrestricted**

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**Summary:** This report invites the Council to decide whether to add the Friends of Margate Cemetery Trust to the list of outside bodies and to make nominations to it if necessary.

### For Decision

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#### **1.0 Introduction**

1.1 The Council has been contacted by the Friends of Margate Cemetery Trust asking the Council if it would like to appoint two new trustees to the Trust.

#### **2.0 Current Situation**

2.1 The Council has not included the Friends of Margate Cemetery Trust in its list of non-executive outside bodies since July 2013. At the Council meeting in May 2013 the Council tried to amend its nominations to the trust, however after correspondence with the Chairman of the Trust, it was not prepared to amend the Council's nominations to it, as the Council's previous nominations remained valid. Therefore the Council removed it from its list of outside bodies.

2.2 As advised above the Chairman of the Trust has contacted the Council to advise that the terms of office of the originally appointed trustees have now expired and whether the Council like to appoint new trustees.

2.3 Council has two categories of outside bodies: those that relate to an Executive function and hence appointments should be made by the Cabinet, and those for which appointments should be made by Council. Previously the Friends of Margate Cemetery Trust was part of the list of non-executive outside bodies.

2.4 If Council wishes to make the two nominations to the trust, it will need to re-instate the trust to the list of non-executive outside bodies.

#### **3.0 Options**

3.1 To re-instate the Friends of Margate Cemetery Trust to the list of non-executive outside bodies and make two appointments to it.

3.2 Not to re-instate the Friends of Margate Cemetery Trust to the list of non-executive outside bodies

#### **4.0 Corporate Implications**

##### **4.1 Financial**

4.1.1 There are no direct financial implications.

##### **4.2 Legal**

4.2.1 None

##### **4.3 Corporate**

4.3.1 The Council appoints representatives to outside bodies in order to express the views of the Council to those bodies on the work they undertake, and to feed back to the Council issues emerging from those bodies that relate to Council activities.

##### **4.4 Equity and Equalities**

4.4.1 There are no direct equalities implications to this report as although there are Councillors from the protected groups, there are no restrictions on who may be appointed to this body.

#### **5.0 Recommendation**

5.1 Members instructions are requested.

#### **6.0 Decision Making Process**

6.1 Council is the decision making body.

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#### **Annex List**

None	
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#### **Background Papers**

Title	Details of where to access copy
None	N/A

#### **Corporate Consultation Undertaken**

Finance	Matthew Sanham, Finance Manager
Legal	Tim Howes, Director of Corporate Governance