

# REPRESENTATION ON AN OUTSIDE BODY FOR 2023/24

<b>Council</b>	13 July 2023
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<b>Portfolio Holder</b>	Leader of Council
<b>Status</b>	For Decision
<b>Classification</b>	Unrestricted
<b>Key Decision</b>	No

## **Executive Summary:**

This report invites Members to consider and agree a nomination on a non executive outside body for 2023/24.

## **Recommendations:**

1. That Council agrees that Councillor Mike Garner be the Council's nominee on the Thanet Rural Regeneration Group for 2023/24.

## **Corporate Implications**

### **Financial and Value for Money**

There are no direct financial implications from this report. However members allowances included in the annual budget are based on the existing structure and any increase in size or number of committees would require approval of the resulting increase in the budget.

### **Legal**

None

### **Risk Management**

There are no risk implications arising directly from this report.

### **Corporate**

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.

### **Equalities Act 2010 and Public Sector Equality Duty:**

Members are reminded of the requirement, under the Public Sector Equality Duty (section 149 of the Equality Act 2010) to have due regard to the aims of the Duty at the time the decision is taken. The aims of the Duty are: (i) eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act, (ii) advance equality of opportunity

between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it, and (iii) foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it.

Protected characteristics: age, gender, disability, race, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, religion or belief and pregnancy & maternity. Only aim (i) of the Duty applies to Marriage & civil partnership.

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 represent the Council on outside bodies.

### **Corporate Priorities:**

- Growth
- Environment
- Communities

### **1.0 Introduction and Background**

1.1 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.

### **2.0 The Current Situation**

2.1 The list for non-executive outside bodies was agreed at Annual Council on 18 May 2023 and most of the nominations were agreed at that meeting.

2.2 Members are being asked to agree that Councillor Mike Garner be the Council's nominee on the Thanet Rural Regeneration Group for 2023/24.

### **3.0 Options**

3.1 Members agree that Councillor Mike Garner be the nominee on the Thanet Rural Regeneration Group for 2023/24.

3.2 Members may opt to agree to a different proposal.

### **4.0 Decision Making Process**

4.1 Council is the decision making body.

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### **Annex List:**

None

### **Background Papers:**

None

**Corporate Consultation**

**Finance:** N/A

**Legal:** N/A