

4. APPOINTMENTS TO FILL MEMBER REPRESENTATIVE VACANCIES (A.111/RC)

Purpose of the report

1. To appoint Members to fill the vacancies that have arisen in the Member Representative roles following recent changes to the membership of the Authority.

Recommendations

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 1. That appointments be made for the following Member Representative roles until the Authority meeting in October 2010:
 - i.) Biodiversity
 - ii.) Climate Change and Natural Resources
 2. That attendance at meetings be an approved duty for the purpose of the payment of travelling and subsistence allowances.

How does this contribute to our policies and legal obligations?

3. The member representatives roles cover each of the National Park Management Plan (NPMP) outcomes and in this way contribute to achieving most of the Authority's corporate objectives.

Background

4. At the Authority meeting on 2 October 2009 (Minute 73/09) Member Representatives were appointed for each of the National Park Management Plan outcomes. The appointments expire at the Authority meeting in October 2010.
5. A draft generic role description for NPMP outcome Member Representative roles will be discussed at a briefing event for Member Representatives on 19 March. This will subsequently be reported to the Authority for final approval.
6. Vacancies have arisen due to the retirement of Mrs A Ashe and the resignation of Mr H Bowell.

Proposals

7. It is proposed that Members be appointed to fill the Member Representative vacancies for Biodiversity and for Climate Change and Natural Resources until October 2010 when all the Member Representative roles and appointments will be considered for a further year.

Are there any corporate implications members should be concerned about?

8. **Financial:** The duties carried out by Member Representatives will qualify for the payment of travel and subsistence allowances which are funded out of the Members Allowance budget
9. **Risk Management:** The roles address the risks of:
 - Failure to use Members' skills and knowledge to support achievement of the National Park Management Plan and the National Park Authority's corporate objectives
 - Failure to develop and facilitate the external facing role of Members

10. **Sustainability:** No issues have been identified.
11. **Background papers** (not previously published) – None

Appendices - None

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