

AGENDA ITEM No. 8

PEAK DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY MEETING

28 MAY 2010

CORPORATE RESOURCES

PART A

1. EAST MIDLANDS LEADERS' BOARD AND EAST MIDLANDS COUNCILS – APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES (A.9361/EWJ)

Purpose of the report

1. To appoint the Authority's representatives to the East Midlands Leaders' Board and the East Midlands Councils.

Recommendations

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 1. That the Chair of the Authority be appointed to the East Midlands Leaders' Board.
 2. That the Deputy Chair of the Authority be appointed as the "alternate Member" to the East Midlands Leaders' Board.
 3. That one Member and one "alternate Member" be appointed to the East Midlands Councils.

How does this contribute to our policies and legal obligations?

3. These appointments contribute to achieving the NPMP outcomes and corporate objectives by continuing and supporting the Authority's working with stakeholders and partners.

Background

4. Under the provisions of the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 the East Midlands Leaders' Board and the East Midlands Councils have replaced the East Midlands Regional Assembly and Local Government East Midlands.
5. The roles and responsibilities of the two organisations are set out in Appendix 1

Proposals

6. East Midlands Leaders' Board

The Board has 14 members who are the Leaders of the Unitary and County Councils and some of the District Councils in the East Midlands Region. In addition to these members the constitution provides for the Chair of the National Park Authority to have special membership of the Leaders' Board for discussions and decisions relating solely to the development, delivery and monitoring of the Regional Strategy. The Authority may also appoint a "named alternative member" as a deputy to attend, speak and

vote at any Leaders' Board meetings. As the Board membership is made up of local authority Leaders it is proposed that the Deputy Chair of the Authority be appointed as the "alternative member."

7. East Midlands Councils

The constitution of East Midlands Councils provides for the Authority to be a full member and to appoint a representative to attend meetings. The Authority may also appoint an "alternate representative" as a deputy who may attend, speak and vote at meetings. It is proposed that appointments be made to these two positions. The first meeting is scheduled for 23rd July in Nottingham.

Are there any corporate implications members should be concerned about?

8. **Financial:**

There is provision in the current budget for the annual subscription to East Midlands Council which is the same as that previously paid to Local Government East Midlands. There are no additional costs to the Authority. East Midlands Councils pay the members travel and subsistence allowances for attending meetings and members of the Leaders' Board also receive a Special Responsibility Allowance.

9. **Risk Management:** There are no risks arising out of the proposals.

10. **Sustainability:** No issues have been identified

11. **Background papers** (not previously published)
East Midlands Council Constitution
East Midlands Leaders' Board Constitution

Appendices –

Appendix 1 – East Midlands Council and East Midlands Leaders Board Roles and Responsibilities

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