

2. ELECTION OF AUTHORITY CHAIR & DEPUTY CHAIR (RC)

1. Purpose of the report

To elect the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Authority.

Key Issues

- **In accordance with the Authority decision to establish a Member Appointment Process Panel, the Panel invited all Members to indicate whether they wish to stand for appointment to the role of Chair and Deputy Chair of the Authority.**
- **The Panel has received one expression of interest for the role of Chair of the Authority and one for the role of Deputy Chair.**
- **Further nominations may be received at the meeting.**

2. Recommendations

- 1. To appoint a Member as Chair of the Authority until the Annual Meeting in 2022.**
- 2. To appoint a Member as Deputy Chair of the Authority until the Annual Meeting in 2022.**

How does this contribute to our policies and legal obligations?

3. Under The National Park Authorities (England) Order 1996 (“the 1996 Order”) the Authority is required to elect a Chair and Deputy Chair of the Authority at each Annual meeting. The term of office will be until the next Annual meeting in 2022.
4. Standing Order 1.4(1) states: “The Authority shall at its Annual Meeting elect a Chair and Deputy Chair who shall continue in office until immediately after the election of the Chair and Deputy Chair at the next Annual Meeting unless they resign their respective office, or resign their membership of the Authority.”

Background Information

5. All Members have been contacted individually to ask if they intended to stand for appointment as Chair and Deputy Chair of the Authority. At the time of writing the report 1 expression of interest had been received for the role of Chair of the Authority, (Cllr A McCloy) and 1 for the role of Deputy Chair of the Authority, (Mr J Berresford). All the expressions of interest comply with the appointment principles agreed by the Authority in May 2020 (Minute No 34/20).
6. The Authority’s Standing Orders no longer state that the elections of the Authority Chair and Deputy Chair shall normally be such that one of the offices shall be held by a Council Member and the other office held by a Secretary of State National or Parish Member.
7. Before voting on the appointment of Chair the Authority will be asked if there are any further expressions of interest. If no further Members are nominated voting on the appointment of Chair can be by a show of hands.
8. Following appointment the Chair will proceed to the appointment of the Deputy Chair. Before voting on the appointment of Deputy Chair, the Chair will ask the meeting whether

there are any further expressions of interest. If there are no further nominations voting can be by a show of hands.

Proposals

9. It is proposed that the elections be made in accordance with the 1996 Order and Standing Orders taking into consideration the agreed appointment principles.

Are there any corporate implications members should be concerned about?

Financial:

10. Although a special responsibility allowance is paid to the Chair and Deputy Chair these costs are included in the 2021/22 budget so the appointments do not incur any additional cost to the Authority.

Risk Management:

11. There are no apparent risks. Members have the opportunity to seek appointments to all the available positions.

Sustainability:

12. None.

Equality:

13. None.

Climate Change

14. No issues.

15. Background papers (not previously published)

None.

16. Appendices

None

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