

NFNPA 425/13

NEW FOREST NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

AUTHORITY MEETING – 28 MARCH 2013

APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES AND EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS

Report by: David Stone, Manager of Business Services

1. Introduction

- 1.1 In accordance with its Standing Orders, the Authority is required to appoint members to its committees and as representatives to external organisations at its Annual meeting, and a full report will accordingly be brought to the June Authority meeting on member appointments.
- 1.2 However, it is necessary to make interim arrangements until the June Annual Authority meeting in order to provide for replacements in respect of Secretary of State Members Peter Frost, Ted Johnson and Vicky Myers whose 8 year term of office is coming to an end on 31 March 2013.
- 1.3 In addition, as Vicky Myers is currently Deputy Chairman of the Authority, members will need to elect a replacement Deputy Chairman for the period until the June Authority meeting.

2. Member appointments to vacancies on Planning Development Control Committee and Resources, Audit and Performance Committee

- 2.1 The legislation relating to the NPA requires it to appoint members to Committees as nearly as possible in proportion to the balance of local authority and Secretary of State appointees to its full membership. All three are members of the Planning Development Control Committee and Peter Frost is also a member of the Authority's Resources, Audit and Performance Committee – in order to maintain the local authority and Secretary of State balance on these Committees, replacements will all need to be Secretary of State members of the Authority.
- 2.2 The current membership of the above Committees can be found in **Annex 1** to this report; the names of Secretary of State Members are in italic type and volunteers are requested to fill the three vacancies on the Planning Development Control Committee and one vacancy on the Resources, Audit and Performance Committee highlighted in the table.

3. Authority representation on outside organisations

- 3.1 **Annex 2** to this report sets out those bodies where member volunteers are required to fill the vacancies on external representation currently occupied by either Vicky Myers, Peter Frost or Ted Johnson. The pro formas in respect of the appointments to the bodies concerned are attached as **Annex 3**.

3.2 Volunteers are requested to fill the vacancies on external bodies highlighted in the table.

4. Deputy Chairman of the Authority until the June Annual Authority meeting

4.1 As mentioned earlier in this report, Members will need to elect a Deputy Chairman of the Authority to replace Vicky Myers, this appointment will last until the election of Chairman and Deputy Chairman which takes place at the Annual Authority meeting in June.

Recommendation:

- 1. To seek volunteers and confirm appointments in respect of the three Secretary of State vacancies on the Planning Development Control Committee and one Secretary of State vacancy on the Resources, Audit and Performance Committee set out in Annex 1 for the period from 1 April 2013 until the Annual meeting of the NPA on 27 June 2013.**
- 2. To seek volunteers and confirm appointments in respect of the vacancies set out in list of the Authority's external representation (Annex 2) for the period from 1 April 2013 until the Annual meeting of the NPA on 27 June 2013.**
- 3. To seek volunteers and confirm an appointment of Deputy Chairman of the Authority for the period from 1 April 2013 until the Annual meeting of the NPA on 27 June 2013.**

Paper:

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Cover paper

NFNPA 425/13 Annex 1: Current PDCC and RAPC membership showing where vacancies will occur with effect from 1 April 2013

NFNPA 425/13 Annex 2: NFNPA representation on external bodies showing where vacancies will occur with effect from 1 April 2013

NFNPA 425/13 Annex 3: Pro formas in respect of those outside where vacancies will occur with effect from 1 April 2013

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Annex 1**

PDCC MEMBERSHIP AS AT 28 MARCH 2013

PLANNING DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE (15 Members)
Brian Dash (local authority appointee)
<i>Richard Frampton (Secretary of State appointee, Parish)</i>
<i>Peter Frost (Secretary of State appointee) – vacant with effect from 1/4/13</i>
Tony Gentle (local authority appointee)
David Harrison (local authority appointee)
Maureen Holding (local authority appointee)
<i>Ted Johnson (Secretary of State appointee) – vacant with effect from 1/4/13</i>
<i>Clive Maton (Secretary of State appointee, Parish)</i>
<i>Bob Morris (Secretary of State appointee, Parish)</i>
<i>Vicky Myers (Secretary of State appointee) – vacant with effect from 1/4/13</i>
Leo Randall (local authority appointee)
Alan Rice (local authority appointee)
Barry Rickman (local authority appointee)
<i>John Sanger (Secretary of State appointee, Parish)</i>
Pat Wyeth (local authority appointee)

RAPC MEMBERSHIP AS AT 28 MARCH 2013

RESOURCES, AUDIT AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE (9 Members)
<i>Oliver Crosthwaite-Eyre (Secretary of State appointee)</i>
Brian Dash (local authority appointee)
<i>Peter Frost (Secretary of State appointee) – vacant with effect from 1/4/13</i>
Tony Gentle (local authority appointee)
David Harrison (local authority appointee)
Edward Heron (local authority appointee)
<i>John Pemberton (Secretary of State appointee)</i>
<i>John Sanger (Secretary of State appointee, Parish)</i>
Pat Wyeth (local authority appointee)

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Annex 2**

APPOINTMENTS ON EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS AS AT 28 MARCH 2013

Group	Status	Lead Officer	Current Member Representative (s)
Europarc	Mainly representation	Oliver Reichardt	Ted Johnson
RMS Steering Group (two appointments)	Decision making	Steve Avery	1. Richard Frampton 2. Oliver Crosthwaite-Eyre 3. Vicky Myers (reserve)
Chairman, Sustainable Development Fund Panel	Decision making	Jim Mitchell	Vicky Myers

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EUROPARC

Frequency of meetings

Occasional conferences and seminars

Terms of reference/ brief description of aims and objective

- Promote good practice in the management of protected areas.
- Facilitate the establishment of new protected areas.
- Raise the profile of protected areas as a vital means of safeguarding many of the continent's most valuable natural heritage assets, and thereby to increase support for their future protection.
- Influence the future development of public policies and programmes, especially with the European Union, to the benefit of protected areas' objectives

Status of Authority involvement and any specific requirements for member involvement

Mainly representation

Name of current representative

Ted Johnson

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Lead officer	External organisation
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RMS STEERING GROUP

Frequency of meetings

Approximately four per year

Terms of reference/ brief description of aims and objective

The Recreation Management Strategy sets out the strategic direction for the management of outdoor recreation in the New Forest National Park from 2010 – 2030. The Strategy seeks to guide and influence recreation and spatial planning policy and implementation across the whole of the National Park and adjoining areas. It will be reviewed every five years.

The Recreation Management Strategy working group will advise and assist the NPA on the implementation of its Recreation Management Strategy. Its remit is to ensure real stakeholder engagement, coordinate research and input into the prioritisation of actions and policies outlined in the document. The purpose of the working group is to ensure the priorities and actions from the Recreation Management Strategy are delivered. Members of the working group were heavily involved in putting the strategy together and now they are playing a key role in putting the strategy into action.

Status of Authority involvement and any specific requirements for member involvement

Representation and liaison

Name of current representative

Richard Frampton
Oliver Crosthwaite-Eyre
Vicky Myers (reserve)

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Lead officer	External organisation
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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT FUND PANEL

Frequency of meetings

Usually every two to three months but on an 'as and when' basis.

Terms of reference/ brief description of aims and objective

- The purpose of the Sustainable Development Fund Panel (SDFP) is to advise the delivery of the Sustainable Development Fund as set up by the New Forest National Park Authority on 1 April, 2006, and appraise applications to the Fund.
- The aim of the Sustainable Development Fund is to support projects that encourage sustainable living in the New Forest National Park.
- The SDFP works to maximise the benefit of the Fund aim in line with the two National Park purposes:
 - To conserve and enhance the natural beauty, wildlife and cultural heritage of the New Forest.
 - To promote opportunities for the understanding and enjoyment of the Forest's special qualities by the public.

Status of Authority involvement and any specific requirements for member involvement

Decision making (on funding applications). The Authority representative will automatically be the Chair of the Panel.

A knowledge and understanding of sustainable development issues is essential.

Name of current representative

Vicky Myers

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