

# Surrey Heath Borough Council

## Executive

30 May 2023

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### Appointment to Surrey Leaders' Group Outside Bodies

<b>Portfolio Holder:</b>	Leader
<b>Head of Service</b>	Gavin Ramtohal – Head of Legal & Democratic Services
<b>Report Author:</b>	Rachel Whillis – Democratic Services Manager
<b>Key Decision:</b>	No
<b>Date Portfolio Holder signed off the report</b>	18 May 2023
<b>Wards Affected:</b>	n/a

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#### Summary and purpose

To consider making nominations to vacancies on Surrey Leaders' Group outside bodies.

#### Recommendation

The Executive is advised to make any nominations to the Surrey Leaders' Group Outside Bodies, as listed at Annex A, as considered appropriate.

#### 1. Background and Supporting Information

- 1.1 Every year, the Council is asked to nominate and make appointments to a number of outside bodies.
- 1.2 The Council has also been invited by the Surrey Leaders' Group, which consists of the eleven districts councils in Surrey and Surrey County Council, to nominate representatives to serve on various outside bodies. The Surrey Leaders' Group has advised that the following positions will filled in 2023/24:
  - **Adults and Health Select Committee (Representative)** - two positions available. (note: representatives may not be members of their own council's executive or equivalent)
  - **Countryside Access Forum (Representative)** - one position available.

- **Surrey & Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (Representative)** - one position available.
- **Mental Health Partnership Board (Representative)** - one position available.
- **Surrey Heartlands Integrated Care Partnership (Representative and Substitutes)**

One Representative position available - this is one of two positions; one position is already filled.

Two substitute positions available (those nominations unsuccessful for the roles of Representative will be considered for the roles of substitutes)

- **Surrey Civilian Military Partnership Board (Representative).** - one position available. This is one of two positions; one position is already filled.

1.3 Each position is for a 3 year term. Further details about each of the Outside Bodies is set out at Annex A.

1.4 Nominations are required by 6 June 2023. A nomination application form is attached at Annex B.

## **2 Proposal and Alternative Options**

2.1 The Executive has the option to make nominations to the Surrey Leaders' Group for the bodies as set out at Annex A or not to make nominations to some or any of the positions.

## **3 Resource Implications**

3.1 The outside bodies referred to at Annex A meet the requirements of the Council's Members' Allowances Scheme in respect of approved duties for the payment of travelling expenses.

## **4 Section 151 Officer Comments:**

4.2 No matters arising.

## **5 Legal and Governance Issues**

5.2 No matters arising

## **6 Monitoring Officer Comments:**

6.2 No matters arising.

**Annexes**

Annex A – list of outside bodies

Annex B – nomination form

**Background Papers**

None

## **Nominations to the Surrey Leaders' Group Outside Bodies**

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### **Adults and Health Select Committee**

The following services are included within the remit of the Adults and Health Select Committee:

- Statutory health scrutiny
- Adult Social Care (including safeguarding)
- Health integration and devolution
- Review and scrutiny of all health services commissioned or delivered within Surrey
- Public Health
- Review delivery of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy
- Health and Wellbeing Board
- Future local delivery model and strategic commissioning

**NOTE:** Nominees cannot be a Member of the Council's Executive (or equivalent).

Meets: Six times a year (approx..)

Time: 10.am.

Venue: Surrey County Council

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### **Countryside Access Forum**

The Forum is an independent body that advises the County Council and others on improving access to the countryside. It has a maximum of 22 members who represent a broad range of interests, including farmers, landowners and those who earn their living in the countryside; users who enjoy the countryside in many different ways; and other relevant interests, such as nature conservation.

Four meetings a year (approx.)

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### **Surrey & Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust**

Surrey and Borders Partnership NHS Trust provides health and social care services for people with mental health illness, drug and alcohol addictions and learning disabilities across Surrey and North East Hampshire. As one of the largest mental health and learning disability Trusts in the country the Trust employs over 3,400 people who work across 127 sites serving 1.3 million people of all ages. The overall aspiration of the Surrey and Borders Partnership NHS Trust is to ensure that people living within its catchment area enjoy consistently good mental health and well being.

Time: Afternoons

Venue: Various venues around central Surrey

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## **Mental Health Partnership Board**

This work was prompted by a wide recognition in mid-2020, across many partners in Surrey that the emotional wellbeing and mental health system and services were not coping nor serving the people of Surrey well, resulting in poor outcomes and experiences. This significant and urgent cause for concern was matched by a strong and shared commitment to address the situation as a matter of urgency. 1.2 A Surrey Mental Health Summit in November 2020, convened by the County Council, highlighted these issues and poor service user experiences, as well as best practice and alternative models from elsewhere. The collective commitment and energy to address these issues was evident initially in the establishment by the Surrey Heartlands Integrated Care System Board of an independently chaired Mental Health Partnership Board and the subsequent peer-led diagnostic review, with the objective of identifying the priority actions needed to drive the required improvements and developments across the mental health system.

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## **Surrey Heartlands Integrated Care Partnership**

The position cannot be held by the same Councillor who is appointed to Health and Wellbeing Board.

The ICP will bring together NHS Leaders and Local Authorities, while also including stakeholders from the system and community. The meeting time commitment is one hour per month, plus any additional time required to read papers in advance of the meeting. Public meetings will be held quarterly, with the remainder of the monthly meetings being held informally. The recently published Adult Social Care Paper outlines that the ICP will lead the integration of housing with health and care, by developing local strategies and delivering services. Therefore, membership of the ICP might be of particular interest for someone interested in housing and supported living arrangements.

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## **Surrey Civilian Military Partnership**

The Surrey Civilian Military Partnership Board (SCMPB) supports the commitment made in the Armed Forces Covenant to help ensure that the armed forces community in Surrey, made up of serving and ex-service personnel and veterans as well as their families are treated fairly and not disadvantaged by their service. The SCMPB fosters closer working relationships with the armed forces and is chaired by Surrey County Council. It comprises 11 Infantry Brigade, the Lord-Lieutenant, SERFCA, Police and Crime Commissioner, borough and district councils, Surrey Fire and Rescue, Service Charities, the Diocese of Guildford and partners in health, education and business

The SCMPB meets twice a year usually in March/April and September/October. In addition the Board hosts an annual conference, usually held in March each year. The board is supported in its work by the Recognise and Remember Task Group which looks at commemoration events including VE Day, VJ Day, Armed Forces Day and Remembrance Sunday as well as helping to support veteran hubs across the county

The appointed councillor would be asked to represent the Surrey Leaders at the meetings of the SCMPB to represent their views as well as feeding back any issues. In addition they would be invited to attend the annual conference

The district and borough councillors who have been appointed as Armed Forces Champions for their authority are invited to attend the Recognise and Remember Task Group. If the

Leaders nominee is also an Armed Forces Champion (as has been the case previously) they will also be invited to attend the Recognise and Remember Task Group which meets 3 times a year, usually in March, June and September.