

Appointments to Surrey Leaders' Group Outside Bodies

Summary

The Executive is asked to consider making nominations to Surrey Leaders' Group outside bodies.

Portfolio: Leader

Date Portfolio Holder signed off report: 29 April 2021

Wards Affected: All

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. Resource Implications

- 1.1 Under the Members' Allowance Scheme, Members are entitled to claim travelling expenses to meetings of outside bodies for journeys in excess of 3 miles. The only expense relating to these appointments is the payment of travelling allowances, which can be met by the existing budget.

2. Key Issues

- 2.1 Every year, the Council is asked to nominate and make appointments to a number of outside bodies.
- 2.2 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 there will be four positions to be filled for 2021/22, as shown at Annex A. Each position is for a 3 year term.
- 2.3 Nominations are required by 8 June 2021. A nomination application form is attached at Annex B.

3. Options

- 3.1 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 some or any of the nominations.

4. Proposals

4.1 The Executive is asked to consider whether to make any nominations to Surrey Leaders' Group for the bodies as set out at Annex A.

5. Local Government Act 1972 - Approved Duties

5.1 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.

Annexes	Annex A – list of outside bodies Annex B – nomination form
Background Papers	None
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Nominations to the Surrey Leaders' Group Outside Bodies

Active Surrey

See separate appendix.

The High Sheriff Youth Awards Scheme

The High Sheriff Youth Awards Scheme gives grants to projects for young people in Surrey - with the aim of helping young people make Surrey safer.

Each year in Surrey, the High Sheriff Youth Awards distributes some £40,000 to projects that are actively helping to reduce crime and bad behaviour – and to make their communities stronger and safer.

Applications can be for any amount from £100 up to £2,000 or, in exceptional circumstances, up to £5,000. The scheme is particularly keen to support a project where young people, normally between the ages of 9 and 18, are actively involved in planning and running it.

Surrey Civilian Military Partnership

The Surrey Civilian Military Partnership Board (SCMPB) support 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.

Surrey County Council Pension Fund

Surrey County Council is an administering authority for the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) and has established a Pension Fund Committee with responsibility for the governance and administration of the Surrey County Council Pension Fund.

- a) To undertake statutory functions on behalf of the Local Government Pension Scheme and ensure compliance with legislation and best practice.
- b) To determine policy for the investment, funding and administration of the pension fund.
- c) To consider issues arising and make decisions to secure efficient and effective performance and service delivery.
- d) To appoint and monitor all relevant external service providers:
 - . fund managers;
 - . custodian;
 - . corporate advisors;
 - . independent advisors;
 - . actuaries;
 - . governance advisors;
 - . all other professional services associated with the pension fund.
- e) To monitor performance across all aspects of the service.
- f) To ensure that arrangements are in place for consultation with stakeholders as necessary
- g) To consider and approve the annual statement of pension fund accounts.
- h) To consider and approve the Surrey Pension Fund actuarial valuation and employer contributions.

The 'standard' Committee diary provides for four meetings a year and additional meetings are occasionally required for a specific purpose. The Committee is made up of publicly elected Members as well as co-opted members who provide stakeholder membership. The co-opted members represent the members of the Fund (trade union representation), District and Borough Councils and other employers in the Fund. Co-opted Members have the same rights on access to information and voting as elected Members