

Broads Authority

15 May 2026

Agenda item number 3

Appointment of two co-opted members to the Broads Authority

Report by Head of Governance

Purpose

The appointment of two co-opted members from the Navigation Committee to the Broads Authority.

Broads Plan context

This is a legislative requirement.

Recommended decision

In line with the recommendation of the Navigation Committee, to appoint Peter Dixon and Alan Goodchild to the Broads Authority for one year to 14 May 2027.

1. Introduction

- 1.1. As set out in [Section 1 of the Broads Act 1988](#), the membership of the Broads Authority includes “two members appointed by the Authority from those members of its Navigation Committee (established under section 9 of this Act) who are not already members of the Authority.”
- 1.2. At its meeting on 20 March 2015, the Authority agreed that the term of appointment of the two co-opted members of the Navigation Committee to the Broads Authority should be on an annual basis. The current appointments expire on 15 May 2026.
- 1.3. In accordance with [Schedule 4 section 4\(3\)](#), “The (Navigation) Committee shall elect a chairman from among those of its members who are members of the Authority and may, if it thinks fit, appoint one of its members to be vice-chairman.”
- 1.4. On this basis, the Chair of the Navigation Committee **must** be one of the two members appointed to the Authority, if they are not already a Broads Authority member.

2. Co-opted members to be appointed

- 2.1. At its meeting on 16 April 2026, the Navigation Committee appointed Alan Goodchild as Chair of the Navigation Committee and Peter Dixon as Vice-Chair. The Navigation Committee also recommended that both these members be appointed as the two co-

opted members to the Broads Authority for one year, until 14 May 2027 (Note: the end date is subject to the member remaining qualified. For example, if the Chair of the committee changes in April 2027 or the member ceases to be a member of the Navigation Committee).

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Background papers: None

[Broads Plan](#) strategic objectives: n/a