

Committee Membership and Member Appointments

Report by Chair and Chief Executive

Summary: This report seeks approval for the appointment of an additional Broads Authority member to the Planning Committee to ensure that there is a representative from the Navigation Committee on this Committee.

Recommendation: That Sir Peter Dixon be appointed to the Planning Committee as from 20 November 2016, for the following year until the Annual Meeting of the Authority in July 2016.

1 Committee Membership

1.1 The membership of committees and external appointments for the year 2015/16 were formally reviewed at the Authority's Annual Meeting on 10 July 2015 taking account of the seven new members including the two new Secretary of State appointees and three new local authority appointments. With new members accounting for one-third of the membership there was an opportunity to make changes to reflect the skills and experience of individual members and the strategic direction of the Authority.

2. Planning Committee

2.1 In considering the appointments to the Committees, Members agreed that it was advantageous to have its local authority members sitting on the Planning Committee so as to enhance the link with local residents. Therefore the three new local authority members were appointed to the Committee.

2.2 The membership of the Planning Committee currently includes 11 Members.

Mr M Barnard
Miss S Blane
Professor J A Burgess
Mr N Dixon
Dr J M Gray
Ms G Harris

Mrs L H Hemsall
Mr G Jermany
Mr P Rice
Mr J Timewell
Mr V Thomson

2.2 However, an unintended consequence of those appointments was that there is currently no member from the Navigation Committee on the Planning Committee or vice versa. Whilst there is no statutory requirement for there to

be so, Sir Peter Dixon has expressed his willingness to be appointed to the Planning Committee.

- 2.3 The Authority is therefore requested to approve the appointment of Sir Peter Dixon as a member of the Planning Committee.

3 Financial Implications

- 3.1 This appointment will not have any additional impact on the budget.

Background papers: Nil

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Broads Plan Objectives: None

Appendices: None