

PART 1 - PUBLIC

Decision Maker: **General Purposes and Licensing Committee**

Date: **11 July 2012**

Decision Type: Non-Urgent Non-Executive Non-Key

Title: **APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES**

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Ward: N/A

1. Reason for report

1.1 In May each year, the Committee considers a report on the appointment of Council representatives to serve on Outside Bodies and Partnership Bodies. Most appointments are renewed annually, but a small number run for longer periods and do not necessarily tie in with the Council year. The Committee is asked to consider appointments for the following outside bodies (1) the William Mosyer Charity, St Mary Cray, (2) Oxleas NHS Foundation Trust and (3) the Diocese of Rochester Board of Education.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 That the Committee appoints the following –

- (a) one representative to the William Mosyer Charity, St Mary Cray for the remainder of the four year term of office ending in May 2014;
- (b) one Councillor to the Oxleas NHS Foundation Trust Council of Governors for the three year period ending in May 2015; and
- (c) one Councillor to serve as the Council's representative on the Diocese of Rochester Board of Education for the three year period expiring on 31st December 2014.

Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing policy.
 2. BBB Priority: Excellent Council.
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Financial

1. Cost of proposal: No cost
 2. Ongoing costs: N/A.
 3. Budget head/performance centre: Democratic Services
 4. Total current budget for this head: £374,320
 5. Source of funding: 2012/13 revenue budget
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Staff

1. Number of staff (current and additional): The Democratic Services Team consists of eight posts (7.22fte).
 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours: Liaison with outside bodies about Council appointments forms a small proportion of one post within the Democratic Services Team.
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Legal

1. Legal Requirement: No statutory requirement or Government guidance.
 2. Call-in: Call-in is not applicable.
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Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected): N/A
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Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? No.
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments: N/A

3. COMMENTARY

3.1 Most outside body appointments are made on an annual basis by the Committee at its first meeting of the Council year in May, but a number of appointments are for longer periods which do not necessarily match the Council year. Three appointments now need to be considered as follows.

William Mosyer Charity, St Mary Cray

The William Mosyer Charity, St Mary Cray, has the objective of the relief of persons in the ancient Parish of St Mary Cray who are in conditions of need, hardship or distress. The Council appoints three people, who each serve a four year term corresponding to the life of a Council (the current term being May 2010 to May 2014.) In May 2012, the Council appointed Councillor Peter Fortune, Honorary Alderman John Holbrook and Mr Malcolm Brown, but Mr Holbrook and Mr Brown have since resigned. At the Committee’s last meeting Mr Graham Collins was appointed to one of these vacancies, but one vacancy still remains to be filled.

Oxleas NHS Foundation Trust Council of Governors

The Council appoints one representative the Oxleas NHS Foundation Trust Council of Governors for three year terms of office. Councillor Michael Turner, the current Mayor of Bromley, has represented the Council for some time, but he has now decided not to continue. A vacancy therefore exists for the remainder of the three year term expiring in May 2015.

Diocese of Rochester Board of Education

The Council appoints one Councillor to the Diocese of Rochester Board of Education, which meets about six times per annum in Rochester. Terms of office are for three years and the current term expires at the end of December 2014. The Board supports Church of England Schools in Kent, Medway, Bexley and Bromley.

At the Committee’s meeting on 14th March 2012 Councillor Ian Payne was provisionally appointed, but subject to further clarification of the role. Subject to any further views from Cllr Payne, or any other nominations, the Committee is invited to confirm the nomination.

Non-Applicable Sections:	Policy, Financial, Legal and Personnel Implications
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	Previous reports to General Purposes and Licensing Committee on outside body appointments, including the annual appointments reports presented in May each year.