

Huish Episcopi Leisure Centre Board – Appointment of a Member to the Management Company (Executive Decision)

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Purpose of the Report

To seek an appointment from SSDC to the Management Company (Board) for the Huish Episcopi Leisure Centre.

Public Interest

South Somerset District Council appoints two councillors to the Management Company (Board) for the Huish Episcopi Leisure Centre, and this decision is made by the Area North Committee. The Centre is dual use, and provides leisure services to Langport and Somerton as well as surrounding villages. The Centre delivers a wide range and variety of sport and exercise opportunities for all age groups, abilities and interests.

Recommendation

The Committee is asked to appoint one member to serve on the Management Company for Huish Episcopi Leisure Centre for the remainder of the municipal year 2017-18.

Background

Councillors Sylvia Seal and Gerard Tucker were appointed in June 2017 for a term of one year. Councillor Sylvia Seal has requested that due to the conflict of interests with her role as the SSDC Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Culture, that a replacement appointment is made.

The Board meets five times a year between September and July.

Financial Implications

None for Area North Committee. Mileage claimed by councillors (across the district) attending meetings of outside bodies to which they are appointed is approximately £1,000 per annum and is within the existing budget for councillors travelling expenses held by Democratic Services. There may be a small saving resulting from any decision to reduce the number of SSDC appointed outside bodies, however, a number of councillors do not claim any mileage for their attendance at these meetings.

Council Plan Implications

There are several of the Council's Corporate Aims which encourage partnership working with local groups.

Carbon Emissions and Climate Change Implications

None

Equality and Diversity Implications

Full consideration to equalities was given in producing the Policy on the Roles and Responsibilities of Councillors appointed to Outside Bodies.

Background Papers

- Minute 184, District Executive, 1 May 2014
 - Minute 13, Area North Committee, 28 June 2017
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