Area North Committee – Appointment of Member to the Somerset Levels and Moors Local Action Group Executive Board for 2019/20 (Executive Decision)

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Purpose of the Report

As the Council has entered a new municipal year, the Committee were asked to review its appointments to outside organisations and working groups within Area North, having regard to the policy on the Roles and Responsibilities of Councillors appointed to Outside Bodies (adopted by District Executive on 1st May 2014).

Recommendation

That Area North Committee appoint 1 member to represent them on the Somerset Levels and Moors Local Action Group Executive Board for 2019/20.

Report

At its meeting on 26 June, the Area North Committee agreed to defer the appointment to the Somerset Levels and Moors Local Action Group Executive Board as more than one Councillor expressed an interest in the representation and both Councillors were not present at the meeting.

The Roles and Responsibilities of Councillors appointed to Outside Bodies was adopted by District Executive on 1st May 2014 at this link:

http://modgov.southsomerset.gov.uk/CeListDocuments.aspx?CommitteeId=136&MeetingId=1349&DF=01%2f05%2f2014&Ver=2

Organisation	Number of Council Reps. (& Rep last year).	Aims & Objectives	Frequency of Meetings	Existing status of representative
Somerset Levels and Moors Local Action Group Executive Board	1 (Gerard Tucker)	To support the delivery of a local economic development programme for the Somerset Levels and Moors. More info at: http://levelsandmoors.somersetleader.org.uk/		Full Member

Members are asked to appoint 1 member to the Somerset Levels and Moors Local Action Group Executive Board for 2019/20, having regard to the adopted policy.

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 Support Services.

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 (Agenda item 10), District Executive, 1 May 2014
- Minute 13, Area North Committee, 23 May 2018
- Minute 8, Area North Committee, 26 May 2019