

# HAVANT BOROUGH COUNCIL

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**CABINET**

**20 July 2016**

## **REVIEW OF OUTSIDE BODIES – DEFERRED APPOINTMENTS**

**Report by Democratic Services Assistant**

**Cabinet Lead: Councillor Wilson**

**Key Decision: N/A**

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### **1.0 Purpose of Report**

- 1.1 In June 2016 (Minute 239/06/2016), the Cabinet appointed members to represent the Council on various outside organisations.
- 1.2 At this meeting of the Cabinet, the appointment to two outside bodies was deferred. This report details the recommendations to Cabinet regarding the appointments to these bodies.

### **2.0 Recommendations**

- 2.1 The Cabinet be recommended to defer appointing a representative to We Big Local; and
- 2.2 The Cabinet cease appointing representatives to the following outside organisations:
  - South Eastern Hampshire Clinical Commissioning Group
  - Business Support Investment Panel

### **3.0 Summary**

- 3.1 This report aims to analyse the Council's current representation on the three outside organisations listed above and the value these represent to the authority, with a view to appointing representation for the 2016/17 municipal year.

### **4.0 We Big Local**

- 4.1 Democratic Services contacted We Big Local with regards to the Council's representation on the body. Councillor Shimbart was attending meetings as an informal representative of the Council, and We Big Local has been asked if they wish the Council to appoint a Councillor to formally represent the Council.

- 4.2 A response has not yet been received from We Big Local. As such, it is recommended that the Cabinet defer their decision on appointing a representative to this body until a response has been received.

**Recommendation**

- The Cabinet defer appointing a representative to We Big Local

**5.0 South Eastern Hampshire Clinical Commissioning Group**

- 5.1 The Head of Communications and Community Engagement was consulted after feedback had been received on the South Eastern Hampshire Clinical Commissioning Group. The feedback stated that Councillors were there in a non-voting capacity and that continued representation was of little value to the Council.
- 5.2 As the representative cannot vote or take part in the debate and can only attend as an observer, the Cabinet Lead of Communities and Housing and the Head of Communications and Community Engagement have recommended that the Cabinet cease appointing a representative to this organisation as it represents little value to the Council.

**Recommendation**

- The Cabinet cease to appoint a representative to the South Eastern Hampshire Clinical Commissioning Group.

**6.0 Business Support Investment Panel**

- 6.1 At the Cabinet meeting of 8 June 2016, Councillor Edward Rees was appointed as the Council's representative on the Business Support Investment Panel.
- 6.2 Since being appointed, Councillor Rees has advised that representation on this body is no longer required. As such, it is recommended that the Council cease to appoint a representative on this body.

**Recommendation**

- The Cabinet cease to appoint a representative to the Business Support Investment Panel.

**7.0 Implications**

**7.1 Resources:**

As an approved duty, if members choose to claim subsistence allowance for attendance at meetings, this will be a charge against the Council's budget for which funding is available.

## **7.2 Legal:**

None arising directly from this report.

## **7.3 Strategy:**

It is essential that the Council has an input into the running of those organisations that either provide services to the Borough or use Council resources in order to function.

## **7.4 Risks:**

Having no involvement in the way these organisations are run may have an adverse effect on the Council should criticism arise.

Increasing the amount of meetings that members attend may draw their time and resources away from other work.

## **7.5 Communications:**

None arising directly from this report.

## **7.6 For the Community:**

Sound management of these organisations must be achieved and the Council should ensure that such organisations are carrying out their duties in the best interests of their customers.

## **7.7 Consultation**

Not Applicable.

**Appendices:** None

**Background Papers:** None

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