

BABERGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

FROM: Acting Head of Legal and Administrative Services

REPORT NUMBER **F8**

TO: COUNCIL

DATE OF MEETING

11 April 2006

REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES AND REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 At the 2004 Annual Meeting, the Council reviewed its representation on outside bodies and partnerships and made appointments for the remainder of the current term of office.
- 1.2 Appendix 1 (attached) sets out the current representation, including appointments made since April 2005, together with details of reports received from representatives during the year. There is no longer a representational role for the Council on the Suffolk East PCT Board, which has replaced the Central Suffolk PCT.
- 1.3 The Council has been asked to make a formal appointment to the County-wide Advisory Forum, to be known as the Home Improvement Agency (HIA), which has been set up by Hanover at Home to replace the system of Care and Repair Support Groups on which Mrs S M Wigglesworth represented Babergh. Mrs Wigglesworth was appointed at the 2005 Annual Council meeting to attend any interim meetings pending the introduction of the new arrangements.
- 1.4 There is a vacancy on RELATE, and the representative on the Greenways Countryside Project wishes to stand down.
- 1.4 The Annual Report of the Community Energy Project (CEP) - Sudbury Communities Area Forum - is attached as Appendix 2.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the information contained in Appendix 1 be noted.
- 2.2 That Mrs S M Wigglesworth be appointed to represent the Council on the County-wide Member Forum of the Hanover at Home HIA Advisory Group.
- 2.3 That the Council considers whether it wishes to make appointments to the following:-

Greenways Countryside Project – replacement for Mr D M Busby
RELATE – vacancy not filled at Council on 13 December 2005.
- 2.4 That the Annual Report of the CEP - Sudbury Communities Area Forum (Appendix 2) be noted and that the CEP be congratulated on its continuing success.

3. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 None, other than the payment of travelling and subsistence allowances in accordance with the Members' Allowance Scheme and for which provision has been made in the Council's budget.

4. **KEY INFORMATION**

4.1 The Council agreed its criteria for appointments on 15 April 2003.

4.2 The reporting back arrangements to be followed by representatives were agreed on 15 May 2003 by Council. Reports from Members will help the Council when it carries out its next major review of appointments, after the 2007 Elections, to ensure that the criteria for appointments continues to be met, and that representation remains appropriate.

4.3 All the current appointments have been made for the period to the end of the current term of office.

5. **APPENDICES**

Appendix 1 – Current representation and summary of reports from Member representatives.
Appendix 2 - Annual Report of the CEP - Sudbury Communities Area Forum.

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APPENDIX 1

Date App'nted	Name of Body/Partnership	Current representative(s) and specific requirements for appointments	'Reporting back' details and other information
20.4.04	ASSOCIATION FOR SUFFOLK MUSEUMS	J R A Sayers	
20.04.04 20.04.04	BABERGH CRIME AND DISORDER PARTNERSHIP RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITIES GROUP (RAG)	N A Ridley <i>(Strategy Committee Chairman)</i> N A Bennett <i>(1 of the 2 representatives on the Babergh Crime Reduction Panel)</i>	
20.04.04	BABERGH CRIME REDUCTION PANEL <i>(Hadleigh Area Representative)</i>	D G Grutchfield	
20.04.04	BABERGH CRIME REDUCTION PANEL <i>(Sudbury Area Representative)</i>	N A Bennett	
20.04.04	BABERGH EAST LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP (LSP) BOARD	S P Clarke <i>(Strategy Committee Member representing a Ward in the catchment area)</i>	Report to O&S(CS) 29/11/05 (E217)
20.04.04 20.04.04	BABERGH HOUSING ASSOCIATIONS MANAGEMENT GROUP	E F Bates S M Wigglesworth	
20.04.04	BABERGH DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FORUM	B H Hurren <i>(same member as County DVF)</i>	
20.04.04	CENTRAL SUFFOLK PRIMARY CARE TRUST BOARD <i>(now replaced by Suffolk East PCT Board – no representational role for Local Authorities)</i>	S P Clarke	Penny Clarke has continued to attend meetings of the new Board, held in public, but advises that Suffolk East PCT will in future carry out liaison through the relevant PCTs, Liaison Officer to be appointed. Copy of letter from Carole Taylor-Brown circulated separately – to be read in conjunction with Michael Miller's report on the SC Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
20.04.04 20.04.04	COMMUNITY EDUCATION AREA GROUP - HADLEIGH - SUDBURY	D G Grutchfield A C Bavington	
20.04.04	COUNTY DOMESTIC VIOLENCE FORUM	B H Hurren <i>(same Member as Babergh DVF)</i>	
20.04.04	COUNCILLORS CULTURAL NETWORK (FORMERLY CULTURAL PORTFOLIOS NETWORK FOR SUFFOLK)	S M Wigglesworth <i>(same Member as Local Government Arts Forum)</i>	
20.04.04 20.04.04	DEDHAM VALE AND STOUR VALLEY JOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (JAC)	P J Holbrook C J Hunt	

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7.06.05	DUAL USE SPORTS CENTRES EAST BERGHOLT GREAT CORNARD HADLEIGH SUDBURY	M R Miller H N Todd K Grimsey J R A Sayers	Report to Members 30/3/06 Email to Members 8/3/06
20.04.04	EAST OF ENGLAND TOURIST BOARD – REGIONAL TOURISM COUNCIL	J R A Sayers	Email to Members 8/3/06
20.04.04	EAST OF ENGLAND REGIONAL ASSEMBLY (EERA)	P Jones	Report to Strategy 10/11/05 (E177), January 2006 EERA Bulletin to 9/2/06. EERA and European Information Service publications circulated or made available in Members' Room.
20.04.04	EASTERN ORCHESTRAL BOARD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	H N Todd	
14.12.04	GAINSBOROUGH'S HOUSE SOCIETY	J R A Sayers	Email to members 17/11/05
20.04.04	GREENWAYS COUNTRYSIDE MANAGEMENT PROJECT	D M Busby (wishes to stand down)	Various papers to Members 30/3/06. See also 2.3 of report.
20.04.04 20.04.04	HADLEIGH ENVIRONMENTAL AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT WORKING PARTY	K Grimsey C D Kerr	
19.04.05	HANOVER AT HOME –(formerly Care and Repair Support Group) – interim arrangements	S M Wigglesworth	County-wide Member Forum – Home Improvement Agency established recently to replace former local Care and Repair Support Groups – see 1.3 of report.
20.04.04	HAVEN GATEWAY PARTNERSHIP	D L Wood	Report to O&S(CS) 7/2/06 (E271)
20.04.04	IDAWAY SUPPORT GROUP (Idaway is a Group Home run by Local Health Partnerships)	M R Miller A J Hinton (<i>Ward members</i>)	
20.04.04	IPSWICH & DISTRICT CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU	W J Sadler	
20.04.04	JOINT MUNICIPAL WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY MEMBER/OFFICER STEERING GROUP	C W Arthey (<i>Member Champion</i>)	Oral update to O&S(CS) 7/2/06
20.04.04	LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTS FORUM	S M Wigglesworth (<i>same Member as Councillors Cultural Network</i>)	Email to Members 3/4/06
20.04.04	LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION ASSEMBLY	N A Ridley (<i>Strategy Committee Chairman</i>)	
20.04.04	LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION – RURAL COMMISSION (LGARC)	R E Kemp (<i>Same member as SPARSE</i>)	Report to Strategy 10/11/05 (Paper E177)
19.10.04	REGIONAL RESILIENCE FORUM	D L Wood	

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13.12.05	RELATE NORFOLK AND SUFFOLK BOARD OF TRUSTEES	Vacancy	Former representative, Frances Bates, supports continued representation.
18.10.05	SOUTH SUFFOLK LEISURE BOARD	B L Lazenby J M Owen	Shadow Board prior to 1 April 2006.
19.10.04	SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP FOR 4 TH OPTION AUTHORITIES	J A Jenkins <i>(O&S(CS) Chairman)</i>	
20.04.04	SPARSITY PARTNERSHIP FOR AUTHORITIES DELIVERING RURAL SERVICES (SPARSE)	R E Kemp <i>(Same member as LGARC)</i>	Reports to Strategy 28/4/05 (E17), 10/11/05 (E177) and 9/2/06 (E278)
20.04.04	SUDBURY & DISTRICT CITIZENS ADVICE BUREAU	E F Bates	
20.04.04	CEP - SUDBURY COMMUNITIES AREA FORUM	A C Bavington	Annual report attached as Appendix 2
19.04.05	SUDBURY HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE STEERING GROUP	J R A Sayers	Email to members 17/11/06
20.04.04	SUFFOLK COAST & HEATHS AONB PARTNERSHIP/JAC	W J Sadler	
20.04.04	JAC ONLY	D C Rose	
20.04.04	SUFFOLK COUNTY HEALTH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	M R Miller	Presentation to O&S(CS) 4/10/05 (E162B). Report to Members 30/3/06
20.04.04	SUFFOLK DEVELOPMENT AGENCY LTD	Substitute Member – W J Sadler	
20.04.04	SUFFOLK DEVELOPMENT AGENCY LTD	M R Miller	Email to Members to follow.
20.04.04	SUFFOLK LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION	N A Ridley <i>(Strategy Committee Chairman)</i> N A Bennett C M Spence – <i>(Leaders of 2 largest political groups on Council)</i>	Minutes of meetings available in Members Room.
20.04.04	SUFFOLK RAIL POLICY GROUP	H N Todd	
20.04.04	SUFFOLK SPORT	D L Wood	
20.04.04	SUFFOLK STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP BOARD	N A Ridley <i>(Strategy Committee Chairman)</i>	
20.04.04	SUPPORTING PEOPLE MEMBERS PANEL	J A Jenkins	

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20.04.04	THE QUAY THEATRE AT SUDBURY LTD	H N Todd	
13.12.05	UNIVERSITY CAMPUS SUFFOLK – FOUNDATION BOARD	S M Wigglesworth Substitute Member – N A Bennett	Report to Members 30/3/06
20.04.04	WESTERN SUFFOLK LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP (LSP) BOARD	C M Spence <i>(Strategy Committee member representing a Ward in the catchment area)</i>	Report to O&S(CS) 28/3/06 (E300)
20.04.04 20.04.04	WESTERN SUFFOLK LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP (LSP) FORUM	R E Kemp L H Young	

ANNUAL REPORT TO THE COUNCIL ON THE PROGRESS OF THE COMMUNITY ENERGY PROJECT (CEP) – SUDBURY COMMUNITIES AREA FORUM

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The Community Energy Project (CEP) has now completed its second year as Sudbury Communities Area Forum. The project has continued to raise funds for projects in the area, and has attracted £111k in the year 2005/6. Substantial external funds have been obtained from the Suffolk Development Agency, the County Council's Corporate Regeneration Fund and the West Suffolk Primary Care Trust. It is worth noting that, even in this difficult year for fund-raising, this is a similar figure to the annual amount of funding obtained from the East of England Development Agency during our initial Single Regeneration Budget phase.
- 1.2 Applications for funding for future work have been submitted to the Suffolk Strategic Partnership and will soon be made to the West Suffolk Local Strategic Partnership. Plans are also being considered for a bid to The Big Lottery. However committed funding for 2006/7 currently stands at only £11k. Nonetheless, with some extra funds available to roll forward from this financial year, the CEP will still be able to run a Community Chest for local groups to access.

2. THE WORK OF THE AREA FORUM

- 2.1 The Area Forum has supported several local projects – most notably obtaining £70k match funding for the futuristic Community Campus at Great Cornard Upper School Sports Centre, opened in January. Other projects have included continued work with local businesses and schools and assisting voluntary agencies to increase their capacity and long-term sustainability.
- 2.2 The Area Forum has continued to develop its ties with other local bodies, working with the Sudbury Town Council to deliver its Town Centre Action Plan, with the West Suffolk Local Strategic Partnership to develop its Community Strategy, and with the Voluntary sector across Babergh to establish Babergh Communities Together. The Forum held several meetings at which local people were able to question Board members and other speakers on a variety of subjects and feed into discussions on local issues and plans.

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