

Date: 27 June 2023

Report APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE AUTHORITY'S COMMITTEES
FROM 27 JUNE 2023

Purpose of report

1. To agree appointments of Members to the Authority's Committees

RECOMMENDATION

2. That, after consideration of the nominations from the Groups, the Authority determines the appointment of Members (and substitute Members for the Planning Committee), to serve on the Authority's Committees

Strategic Planning Framework

3. The information and recommendation contained in this report is consistent with the Authority's statutory purposes and its approved strategic planning framework.

- **Corporate Plan Objective 32:** *Operate governance arrangements that are fit for purpose...*

Background

4. Current legislation recognises three groups of Authority Members:
 - Local Authority (LA) Members
 - Parish Members appointed by the Secretary of State (SoS)
 - Other Members appointed by the SoS
5. For the purposes of membership of the Planning Committee it is suggested that the Authority updates its local arrangements and recognises three groups. The Local Authority Members being split between North Yorkshire County and Westmorland & Furness/Lancashire County Council and the Lancaster City Council. On the current Authority Membership this would mean a 7/3 split on the Planning Committee. This recognises the current proportional appointments to the Authority.
6. At the meeting of the Authority in March of this year, Members adopted a revised Procedure for Local Assessment of Member Code of Conduct Complaints and delegated authority to the Monitoring Officer to consider such complaints. In the event that a Standards Committee hearing is required, the Monitoring Officer has delegated authority to appoint three Members from Standards Committee to a Hearing Panel. Following the change to arrangements it is therefore no longer necessary for the

Authority to appoint a Member and a substitute to Standards Committee (a substitute previously being appointed in the event of a conflict of interest).

7. Legislation requires the Authority to ensure that the division of Members on Committees between LA Members and SoS Members is (as nearly as possible in using whole numbers) in the same proportion as in the case of the division on the Authority. The membership of the Standards Committee therefore requires a 3:2 split between LA Members and SoS Members. The Table in Appendix A has been updated to reflect this.
8. Appendix C shows the proposed membership of the Authority's Committees for 2023/24. The proposals for the Planning Committee have been drafted following consultation with the new Members groupings. The Monitoring Officer has consulted with the relevant Members groupings regarding the vacancies on Standards Committee to ensure that the proposed membership for 2023/24 reflects the proportional representation on the Authority. The other committee proposals reflect, as far as possible, Members previously stated preferences.
9. For Members' assistance -
 - **Appendix A** to this report sets out the total number of seats on the Authority's Committees and their allocation across the groups;
 - **Appendix B** sets out the current membership of the Authority's Committees;
 - **Appendix C** contains the responses received from the groups, indicating Committee nominations.
8. Members are reminded that, as per the Authority's standing orders, any Member elected to serve on the Planning Committee, or as a substitute, should meet the Authority's requirements regarding attending planning training.

David Butterworth
Chief Executive
June 2023

Background documents: None

YORKSHIRE DALES NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY
MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES
ALLOCATION OF SEATS BETWEEN GROUPS

COMMITTEE	MEMBERSHIP	Local authority	'Ordinary'	Parish
		Audit & Review	12	7
Finance & Resources	13	8	3	2
Planning	17	10 (split 7/3)#	4	3
Standards	5	3	1	1

The memberships of the Audit and Review and the Finance and Resources Committees are allocated so that Members serve on one committee or the other.

This acknowledges a current 7/3 split between North Yorks Council and W&F/Lancashire Councils.

Committee Membership and Member Champions as at June 2023

Member	Appointing body	Planning	Audit & Review	Finance & Resources	Standards
<i>M'ship/Quorum</i> →		17/7	12/6	13/6	5/3
AppletonHall Liz	SoS(P)	S1	✓		
Bateman, Libby	SoS(P)	✓		✓	
Bushby Lizzie	SoS	✓	✓		
Corner Mark	SoS	✓	✓		✓
Dew Phil	W&F			✓	
Foster Richard	NYC	✓		✓	
Vacant	LCyC	S2		✓	
Heseltine Neil	SoS(P)	✓		✓	✓
Heseltine Robert	NYC	✓	✓		
Hutton Julie	SoS	S1		✓	
Ireton David	NYC	✓	✓		✓
Kirkbride Allen	SoS(P)	✓	✓		S
Mitchell Ian	W&F	✓	✓		
Munday Jim	SoS	✓	✓		
Murday Andrew	NYC	✓	✓		
Myers Simon	NYC	✓		✓	
Noland David	NYC	✓		✓	
Parsons Stuart	NYC			✓	
Peacock Yvonne	NYC	✓	✓		
Purcell Jenny	LCC	S2		✓	
Sedgwick Karin	NYC			✓	
Shaw-Wright Steve	NYC	✓	✓		
Simpkins Graham	W&F	✓	✓		
Swain Neil	SoS	✓		✓	✓
Twine Derek	SoS	S2		✓	

LCyC=Lancaster City Council; LCC= Lancashire County Council; NYC= North Yorkshire Council;
SoS=Secretary of State; SoS(P)=Secretary of State (Parish); W&F=Westmorland & Furness Council

CHAIRS AND DEPUTY CHAIRS		
<i>Date elected</i>	<i>Chair</i>	<i>Deputy Chair</i>
Authority (28/06/22)	Neil Heseltine	Julie Hutton
Planning (02/08/22)	Neil Swain	Mark Corner
Audit and Review (12/07/22)	Jim Munday	Mark Corner
Finance and Resources (27/9/22)	Derek Twine	Libby Bateman
Standards (07/02/23)	David Ireton	-

MEMBER CHAMPIONS		
<i>Area of responsibility</i>	<i>Member appointed</i>	<i>Term of appointment</i>
Natural Environment	Mark Corner	Jun 22 – Jun 25
Cultural Heritage	Libby Bateman	Dec 22 – Dec 25
Recreation Management	Lizzie Bushby	Dec 22 – Dec 25
Promoting Understanding	Derek Twine	Dec 22 – Dec 25
Development Management	Jim Munday	Jun 21 – Jun 24
Sustainable Development	Richard Foster	Mar 23 – Mar 26
Corporate Management	Julie Hutton	Dec 21 – Dec 24

Table 1: Planning Committee (17 Members)

PROPOSED MEMBERS	
Name	Group
Liz Appleton Hall	Parish (SoS)
Libby Bateman	Parish (SoS)
Lizzie Bushby	SoS
Mark Corner	SoS
Richard Foster	NYC
Robert Heseltine	NYC
David Ireton	NYC
Allen Kirkbride	Parish (SoS)
Ian Mitchell	W&F
J Munday	SoS
Andrew Murday	NYC
David Noland	NYC
Yvonne Peacock	NYC
Jenny Purcell	LCC
Steve Shaw Wright	NYC
Graham Simpkins	W&F
N Swain	SoS
Simon Myers	NYC Sub 1
Vacant (TBC)	LCyC Sub 2
Neil Heseltine	Parish (SoS) Sub
Julie Hutton	SoS Sub 1
Derek Twine	SoS Sub 2

Table 2 - Audit and Review Committee (12 Members)

CURRENT MEMBERS	
Name	Appointing body
Liz Appleton Hall	SoS(P)
Lizzie Bushby	SoS
Mark Corner	SoS
Robert Heseltine	NYC
David Ireton	NYC
Allen Kirkbride	SoS(P)
Ian Mitchell	W&F
Jim Munday	SoS
Andrew Murday	NYC
Yvonne Peacock	NYC
Steve Shaw Wright	W&F
Graham Simpkins	W&F

Table 3 - Finance and Resources Committee (13 Members)

CURRENT MEMBERS	
Name	Appointing body
Libby Bateman	SoS(P)
Phil Dew	W&F
Richard Foster	NYC
Vacant	LCyC
Neil Heseltine	SoS(P)
Julie Hutton	SoS
Simon Myers	NYC
David Noland	NYC
Stuart Parsons	NYC
Jenny Purcell	LCC
Karin Sedgwick	NYC
Neil Swain	SoS
Derek Twine	SoS

Code

LCC = Lancashire County Council

LCyC = Lancaster City Council

NYC = North Yorkshire Council

SoS = Secretary of State ("other")

SoS (P) = Secretary of State (Parish)

W&F = Westmorland and Furness Council

Table 4 Standards Committee (5 Members)

CURRENT AND PROPOSED* MEMBERS	
Name	Appointing body
Mark Corner	SoS
Allen Kirkbride*	SoS(P)
David Ireton	NYC
Ian Mitchell*	W&F
Steve Shaw-Wright*	NYC