

<b>Key Decision Required:</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>In the Forward Plan:</b>	<b>Yes/No</b>
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**LEADER OF THE COUNCIL**

**20 NOVEMBER 2019**

**REPORT OF HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES & ELECTIONS**

**EXTERNAL MEETINGS AND OUTSIDE BODIES**

**PART 1 – KEY INFORMATION**

**PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

To enable the Leader to make new appointments to Rush Green Allotments for the Poor Charity and to the Essex Coastal Forum.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Council is the custodian trustee Rush Green Allotments for the Poor Charity and in the Charity Scheme as approved by the Charity Commission it is for this Council to appoint two nominated Managing Trustees. There are three other Co-opted Managing Trustees which it is for the Trustees as a whole to appoint in accordance with the Charity Scheme.

In addition, this Council is entitled to appoint a Councillor to the Essex Coastal Forum. The Forum is comprised of Councillors from relevant authorities in Essex together with representatives from organisations including the Environment Agency, Natural England, Marine Management Organisation and the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds. The Forum exists to make recommendations to organisations in relation to the delivery of the Essex and South Suffolk Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) and the Thames Estuary 2100 Plan and to review an annual report and make recommendations in relation to the delivery of the Essex Coast Recreational disturbance Avoidance and Mitigation Strategy (RAMS).

As a consequence it is proposed to make the appointments referenced in Appendix A.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

**That the appointments set out in Appendix A to this report be approved.**

**PART 2 – IMPLICATIONS OF THE DECISION**

**DELIVERING PRIORITIES**

Having appropriate representation at external meetings and on outside bodies ensures that the Council has a broad forum on which to take forward its priorities.

**FINANCE, OTHER RESOURCES AND RISK**

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Councillors attending outside bodies and external meetings are entitled to claim mileage allowances as part of their approved duties.

**Risk**

The Council's reputation and its ability to contribute to local and national issues may be

damaged if it withdraws support from external meetings and outside bodies. It is therefore important to ensure that the Council does have appropriate and adequate representation.

#### **LEGAL**

The decision is made in accordance with part 3.25 paragraph 2.(4) of the Constitution which gives delegated authority to the Leader in for working with other bodies and partners.

#### **OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

Consideration has been given to the implications of the proposed decision in respect of the following and the Council will give consideration to these issues in determining which external meetings and groups to attend.

#### **BACKGROUND PAPERS FOR THE DECISION**

None.

#### **APPENDICES**

Appendix A – Details of the Outside Body and recommended appointment

## EXTERNAL MEETINGS AND OUTSIDE BODIES 2019 to 2023

Organisation	Terms of Reference or equivalent	Existing Membership	Appointee	Expiry Date
Rush Green Allotments for the Poor Charity	<p>The Charity is the organisation that manages the 8.1 acres of allotment lands in the former Parish of Rush Green. The purpose of the Charity is to use the land as allotments for poor persons in the area of the former Urban District of Clacton. Any surpluses of the Charity are to be applied to relieving need, hardship or distress of those resident locally.</p> <p>The custodian trustee of the Charity is Tendring District Council and this Council is the sole body who can appoint Nominated Managing Trustees. The Trustees may appoint three further Co-opted Managing Trustees.</p>	<p>Nominated management Trustees: <b>(as advised by the Charity)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Frank Dowdall of 8 Battisford Drive Clacton CO16 7LD (Secretary)</li> <li>2. Tony Suen of 66 Flatford Drive Clacton CO16 8BT (Chairman)</li> </ol> <p>(With Co-opted Management Trustees of Cllr Maurice Alexander, Mr Ralph Small (Treasurer) and Ms Liz Barritt).</p> <p>Note: By the decision of the Leader on 06/08/2019 Cllrs Newton and Codling</p>	Messrs Dowdall and Suen	May 2023

		were to be appointed as Nominated Managing Trustees.		
Essex Coastal Forum	<p>Core membership of the Forum is comprised of local authorities within Essex with a tidal frontage, Essex County Council (ECC) representatives who sit on the Regional Flood and Coastal Committees (RFCC), relevant Government Agencies and additional organisations with a relevance to the work of the Forum.</p> <p>The Forum is concerned with the delivery of the Essex and South Suffolk Shoreline Management Plan (SMP), the Thames Estuary 2100 Plan and the Essex Coast Recreational disturbance and Avoidance Mitigation Strategy (RAMS).</p>	Cllr M Skeels (Snr)	Cllr Nick Turner	May 2023