

Forest Heath District Council

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Report of the Strategic Director (Services)

FOREST HEATH DISTRICT COUNCIL REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS – SUFFOLK COUNTY COUNCIL HEALTH SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Summary and reasons for recommendation(s)

Forest Heath District Council's current representation on the Suffolk County Council Health Scrutiny Committee is as follows:

- Councillor Mrs R E Burt
- Councillor T Simmons (Substitute)

The Council is now required to review its representation (one Member representative and one named Substitute) as the composition of the Health Scrutiny Committee has to be comprised of non-Executive Members from the District and Borough Councils in Suffolk and Councillor Mrs R E Burt is now an Executive Member of Forest Heath District Council.

Recommendation(s)

That the Cabinet appoints Councillor T Simmons (Member representative) and Councillor M J Anderson (named Substitute) to the Suffolk County Council Health Scrutiny Committee for the period from 4 September 2012 to the date of the first Cabinet meeting immediately following the Council's Annual Meeting in 2015 at which appointments to Outside Organisations are made (unless revoked earlier).

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How will the recommendations help us meet our strategic priorities?

1. The Council has a requirement to appoint one member and one substitute to the Suffolk County Council Health Scrutiny Committee.

Wards affected

2. All.

Key issues

3. At the meeting of the Community Services Committee on 19 July 2011, the following Members were appointed as Forest Heath District Council's representatives on the Suffolk County Council Health Scrutiny Committee:
 - Councillor Mrs R E Burt
 - Councillor T Simmons (Substitute)
4. The Terms of Reference for the Health Scrutiny Committee states that:-

12.2 The membership of the Health Scrutiny Committee will be:

*(b) 7 **non executive** members; one from each of the district and borough council's in Suffolk."*
5. Therefore the Council is now required to review its representation on this Committee as Councillor Mrs R E Burt is now an executive member of the Council. The Constitution and the Rules of Procedure for the Suffolk County Council Health Scrutiny Committee are attached as Appendix 1 and 2 respectively, to this report.
6. The next meeting of the Health Scrutiny Committee is scheduled to take place on Thursday 18 October 2012.

Other options considered

7. The Council's representation has to be reviewed as the Terms of Reference require a non executive member to be appointed to the Health Scrutiny Committee.

Community impact

8. There is no community impact as a result of this report.

What consultation has been undertaken and what were the outcomes?

9. Not applicable to this report.

Financial and resource implications

10. When representatives attend meetings of outside organisations, travelling and subsistence will be payable. If representatives attend seminars organised by the organisation concerned, then an additional allowance will also be payable.

Risk management implications

11. There are no risk management implications.

Legal/Policy implications

12. The Council can make appointments to outside organisations where requested and/or entitled to do so.

Documents attached

Appendix 1 – Suffolk County Council – Extract from Constitution Part 1 – Health Scrutiny Committee

Appendix 2 – Suffolk County Council – Extract from Constitution Part 2 – Health Scrutiny Committee – Rules of Procedure

Background papers

Community Services Committee – 19 July 2011 – Urgent Business Item