

NFNPA 531/17

NEW FOREST NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

AUTHORITY MEETING – 12 OCTOBER 2017

FINALISATION OF COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS AND REPRESENTATION ON EXTERNAL BODIES FOR 2017/18

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Summary:

At the Annual Authority meeting in July 2017, Members resolved to carry forward two Secretary of State vacancies on the Planning Development Control Committee and one Secretary of State vacancy on the Resource, Audit and Performance Committee until the new Secretary of State Members on the Authority were confirmed. Authority Members also agreed to carry forward vacancies on a number of external bodies to provide opportunities for the new Secretary of State Members to express an interest in being appointed to these bodies. The newly appointed members (Richard Taylor (SoS, Parish Member), Gavin Parker and Patrick Heneghan (both SoS Members) were confirmed in September by the Secretary of State and have been canvassed by officers as to their preferences on committees and external bodies. This report asks Members to duly confirm these appointments.

1. Committee membership

- 1.1 The Planning Development Control Committee comprises of 13 Members, 6 Secretary of State and 7 Local Authority Members. At the Annual Authority Meeting on 13 July 2017, Members resolved to carry two Secretary of State vacancies on this Committee until the Authority meeting on 12 October when the new Secretary of State Members had been appointed. Richard Taylor and Gavin Parker have expressed an interest in filling these vacancies.
- 1.2 The Resources Audit and Performance Committee comprises of 9 Members, 4 Secretary of State Members and 5 Local Authority Members. At the Annual Authority Meeting on 13 July 2017, it was resolved to carry one Secretary of State vacancy until the Authority meeting on 12 October when the new Secretary of State Members had been appointed. Patrick Heneghan has expressed an interest in filling this vacancy.

2. Authority representation on external bodies

- 2.1 At the Authority meeting on 13 July 2017, Members were asked to represent the Authority on various external organisations. Following these appointments, a number were left vacant to provide opportunities for the new Secretary of State members to express an interest in being appointed to these positions.

2.2 The external organisations concerned are:

- one vacancy on the Building Design Awards Panel, *Richard Taylor*
- a reserve vacancy on Campaign for National Parks, *Patrick Heneghan*
- a vacancy on the Cycle Working Group, *Richard Taylor (with Patrick Heneghan as Reserve)*
- a vacancy on the Lymington to Brockenhurst Community Rail Partnership, *Richard Taylor*
- a reserve vacancy on the New Forest Access Forum, *Richard Taylor*
- a vacancy on the Solent Forum, *Patrick Heneghan*

Richard Taylor, Gavin Parker and Patrick Heneghan have been asked to indicate their preference on these organisations and their responses are set out in italic type against each of above bullet points.

3. RECOMMENDATION

- a) To appoint Richard Taylor and Gavin Parker as Secretary of State Members to the Planning Development Control Committee for the period up until the Annual Authority meeting in 2018 or until such earlier time as the NPA wishes to amend the membership.**
- b) To appoint Patrick Heneghan as Secretary of State Member to the Resource Audit and Performance Committee for the period up until the Annual Authority meeting in 2018 or until such earlier time as the NPA wishes to amend the membership.**
- c) To approve the appointments of the new Secretary of State Members onto the relevant external organisations as detailed in paragraph 2.2 above.**

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