

Report to	-	Council
Date	-	10 July 2017
Report of the	-	Executive Director of Resources
Subject	-	Appointments to Outside Bodies

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**Recommendation:** It be **RESOLVED:** That:

- 1) it be noted that an appointment is no longer required to be made to Rye Chamber of Commerce and it be removed from the list of outside bodies to which formal appointments are made;
  - 2) Mr R.H. Patten be appointed as the Council's representative on the Pevensey and Cuckmere Water Level Management Board in place of Councillor Hollidge; and
  - 3) a Councillor be nominated as the Council's substitute representative on East Sussex Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee in place of Councillor John Barnes.
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**Introduction**

1. Following the appointments made at the Annual Council meeting held on 15 May 2017 (Minute C17/14) a number of further matters have come to officers' attention.

**Rye Chamber of Commerce**

2. Councillor Stevens reported at the Annual Council meeting that she had not been invited to attend any Rye Chamber of Commerce meetings and she suspected that Rye Chamber of Commerce no longer met. Officers had experienced difficulties in confirming the requirement for a representative prior to the annual Council meeting and it has since come to light that the Chamber although still active, no longer meets. It has been confirmed that a Rother District Council representative is no longer required. It is therefore recommended that it is removed from the list of outside bodies to which formal appointments are made.

**Pevensey and Cuckmere Water Level Management Board**

3. The Pevensey Levels Internal Drainage Board has over the last two years transitioned to the Pevensey and Cuckmere Water Level Management Board and as such some of the work of the board had been delayed. However, since the decision to appoint Councillor Hollidge as the Council's representative on the Pevensey and Cuckmere Water Level Management Board, the Council has been advised that the work of the board has now gained momentum and for consistency the Council's previous appointed representative Mr R H Patten would be best placed to serve on this outside body.

## **East Sussex Health and Overview Scrutiny Committee**

4. At the Annual Council, Councillor John Barnes was appointed as the substitute Member representative to the East Sussex Health and Overview Scrutiny (HOSC) Committee and also the appointed representative of East Sussex Health and Wellbeing Board. It has been confirmed that Councillor Barnes cannot hold both posts as there is a conflict of interest therefore Council is required to appoint an alternative substitute Member to HOSC.

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### **Risk Assessment Statement**

Failure to appoint representatives to outside bodies may result in the loss of conduit between the Council and the respective external organisations.