



Coventry City Council

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Public report

Report to
Council

22nd February, 2005

Report of
Director of Legal and Democratic Services

Title
Appointment to Outside Bodies – Coventry Airport Consultative Committee

1 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To make an amendment to the appointment made to the Coventry Airport Consultative Committee at the City Council's Annual Meeting.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 The City Council is requested to nominate one member as its representative on the Coventry Airport Consultative Committee.

3 Information/Background

- 3.1 At its Annual Meeting on 24th June, 2004, the City Council nominated Councillors Mrs Dixon and Lakha to represent the City Council on the Coventry Airport Consultative Committee. This appointment overlapped with a re-organisation of the Consultative Committee by West Midlands International Airport. The reorganisation was undertaken for several reasons, the old Committee hadn't met for some time, the ownership of West Midlands International Airport had recently changed and also to respond to recent legislative changes. The re-organisation meant that the City Council was now only allocated one seat, under the previous arrangements two seats had been allocated. The Consultative Committee is chaired by Lord Peter Snape and comprises the following representatives, all having one seat:-

Stratford upon Avon District Council
Rugby Borough Council
Campaign Against the Expansion of Coventry Airport
Coventry Chamber of Commerce
Warwickshire County Council
Coventry Trades Council
Baginton Parish Council
Warwick District Council
Coventry City Council (vacant)
Local Resident
Coventry Airport Tenants and Users Association
Campaign for the Protection of Rural England

- 3.2 On 23rd September the City Council considered a report which requested changes to the appointments to a number of outside bodies including the representation on the Coventry Airport Consultative Committee to reflect the single place now allocated. At the meeting Council agreed to defer a decision on any change pending a request to West Midlands International Airport to increase the number of places allocated to the City Council. The Airport Company has now responded and have indicated that they will not increase the number of places allocated to the City Council.

4 **Proposal and Other Option(s) to be Considered**

- 4.1 It is proposed that the City Council nominates one member as its representative on the Coventry Airport Consultative Committee.

5 **Other specific implications**

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	Implications (See below)	No Implications
Area Co-ordination		✓
Best Value		✓
Children and Young People		✓
Comparable Benchmark Data		✓
Corporate Parenting		✓
Coventry Community Plan		✓
Crime and Disorder		✓
Equal Opportunities		✓
Finance		✓
Health and Safety		✓
Human Resources		✓
Human Rights Act		✓
Impact on Partner Organisations		✓
Information and Communications Technology		✓
Legal Implications		✓
Property Implications		✓
Race Equality Scheme		✓
Risk Management	✓	
Sustainable Development		✓
Trade Union Consultation		✓
Voluntary Sector – The Coventry Compact		✓

5.2 Risk Management

The way in which the Council's involvement in external organisations is managed can influence the risks the Council incurs. Members' representation on outside organisations carries with it personal risks/liabilities particularly where the organisation is a limited company. Guidance has been issued to all members on working with Outside Organisations "Avoiding the Pitfalls" and members have also received a copy of "The Company Director – A Guide to Directors' Duties and Responsibilities".

6 Monitoring

- 6.1 A report setting a protocol for representatives nominated to outside bodies to report back to the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee on the work of that body will be considered by Cabinet shortly. The protocol will facilitate a robust annual review of the continuing value of each appointment to ensure that Council representation on outside bodies delivers mutual benefit and value.

List of background papers

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