

COUNTY COUNCIL LOCAL COMMITTEE FOR EDEN

Meeting date: 31 October 2018

From: Executive Director – Corporate, Customer and
Community Services

EDEN LOCAL COMMITTEE – ESTABLISHMENT OF WORKING GROUPS

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 *This report asks members to constitute the various Eden Local Committee Working Groups and agree membership of these, in line with the County Council's Constitution.*

2.0 STRATEGIC PLANNING AND EQUALITY IMPLICATIONS

2.1 *Following the County Council elections this report should have been presented to the Local Committee to consider which Working Groups are required to allow the Committee to contribute to the strategic planning framework for Cumbria. This includes contributing to the specific local priorities within the Area Plan for the Local Committee area, as well as the Council Plan themes and priorities, which are*

- *To enable communities to live safely and shape services locally*
- *To promote health and wellbeing, and tackle poverty*
- *To provide safe and well maintained roads and an effective transport network*
- *To support older and vulnerable people to live independent and healthy lives*
- *To be a modern and efficient council*

3.0 RECOMMENDATION

3.1 *Members agree the Terms of Reference and membership of the Eden Local Committee Children and Young People's Working Group.*

3.2 *Members agree the Terms of Reference and membership of the Eden Local Committee Penrith Members Working Group.*

3.3 *Members agree the Terms of Reference of the Eden Local Committee Rural Issues Working Group.*

4.0 BACKGROUND

- 4.1 After the last elections Eden Local Committee established a number of Working Groups but the groups were not constituted in line with the County Council's Constitution.
- 4.2 At the first meeting of Eden Local Committee following the elections a report should have been presented which detailed the Terms of Reference of each of the Working Groups and the membership should have been agreed.
- 4.3 This only came to light at the last meeting when Members were asked to agree an additional Member for the Rural Issues Working Group.
- 4.4 This report asks Members to agree the terms of reference and membership of the following Eden Local Committee Working Groups:-

Children and Young People's Working Group

The Children and Young People's Working Group considers and makes recommendations to Eden Local Committee on a range of issues relating to Children and Young People.

Membership

Claire Driver
Andy Connell
Phil Dew

Penrith Members Working Group

The Penrith Members Working Group is established to discuss issues and opportunities for Penrith. The purpose of the group was to drive innovation in addressing key issues for Penrith, provide a means of co-ordination in respect of joint action and joint working, provide a means for the formulation and expression of joint views on issues of strategic significance, and to consult and liaise with other organisations across the public, private and third sectors on issues of common interest.

Membership

Patricia Bell
Hilary Carrick
Helen Fearon
David Whipp

Rural Issues Working Group

The Rural Issues Working Group is established for County Councillors in Eden to discuss issues, challenges and opportunities for rural communities in Eden.

Membership

Phil Dew
Neil Hughes
Tom Wentworth Waites
David Whipp

- 4.5 The rules of proportional entitlement do not apply to groups established by the Local Committees and the Committee can appoint as many Members to the Groups in whatever ratio it wishes.
- 4.6 Working Groups set up by the Local Committee have no delegated powers.
- 4.7 If agreed the Working Groups would remain in place for the life of the council ie not reconstituted until after the next County Council election.

5.0 OPTIONS

- 5.1 Members are asked to consider whether or not they wish to re-establish the Working Groups described in this report.
- 5.2 The Committee may decide not to constitute any or all of the Working Groups, in which case all business dealt with by the Working Groups would need to come directly to the Committee.

6.0 RESOURCE AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 There are no financial implications for the Local Committee arising from this report.

7.0 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 Local Committee may establish working groups and nominate members to attend those groups. Working groups are informal bodies within the Council and do not have decision making powers. There is no requirement for the membership to be politically balanced but members may choose to nominate to a working group to achieve such a balance.

8.0 CONCLUSION

- 8.1 Members are asked to consider whether they wish to constitute the Eden Local Committee Working Groups in line with the County Council's constitution.

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APPENDICES

- Appendix 1 Terms of Reference ELC Children & Young People's Working Group
Appendix 2 Terms of Reference ELC Penrith Members Working Group
Appendix 3 Terms of Reference ELC Rural Issues Working Group

Electoral Division(s): All

** Please remove whichever option is not applicable*

Executive Decision	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Key Decision	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> No
If a Key Decision, is the proposal published in the current Forward Plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A*
Is the decision exempt from call-in on grounds of urgency?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> No
If exempt from call-in, has the agreement of the Chair of the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee been sought or obtained?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Has this matter been considered by Overview and Scrutiny? If so, give details below.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Has an environmental or sustainability impact assessment been undertaken?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
Has an equality impact assessment been undertaken?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

N.B. If an executive decision is made, then a decision cannot be implemented until the expiry of the eighth working day after the date of the meeting – unless the decision is urgent and exempt from call-in and necessary approvals have been obtained.

PREVIOUS RELEVANT COUNCIL OR EXECUTIVE DECISIONS
[including Local Committees]

None

CONSIDERATION BY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY

Not considered by Overview and Scrutiny

BACKGROUND PAPERS

No background papers

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