

YORKSHIRE DALES NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

25th July 2006

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE AUTHORITY'S COMMITTEES**Purpose of report**

To provide information to enable the Authority to finalise the memberships of the Authority's Committees.

Background

The Environment Act 1995 requires the Authority, when establishing any Committees or Sub-Committees, to ensure that the division of Members between local authority members and those appointed by the Secretary of State shall, as near as possible, be in the same proportion as in the case of the Authority itself. The proportion on the Authority is 14 local authority members and 12 Secretary of State appointees.

In addition to the above statutory requirement, the Authority, at its meeting on 17th December 1996, decided that the appointment to all Committees should also seek to reflect the proportions of County and District Council members and "ordinary" Secretary of State appointees and Parish appointees (i.e. the proportion of members in the four 'Groups' that are represented on the Authority). This convention was endorsed in March this year, when the Authority agreed, amongst other matters, that each of the four Groups should submit nominations for membership of all the Committees, prior to the final allocation of seats being made by the Authority.

Annex A to this report sets out the total number of seats on the Authority's Committees and their allocation across the Groups.

Annex B sets out, for information, the membership of the Authority's Committees prior to this meeting.

Annex C sets out the responses received from each of the four Groups for their nominations for membership of each of the Committees. However, if the Authority decides to appoint as a Member Champion (see Item 11c on this agenda), any of the members who have been nominated by any of the Groups for membership of the Planning Committee, it will be necessary to 'elevate' one of the substitute members (who is not a member Champion) to become a member of the Committee and to make the new member Champion a substitute member of the Committee.

Members may recall that at the 2004 annual meeting of the Authority, it was agreed that an Appeals Committee should be retained, but only established as and when necessary, with. It is proposed that that practice should be continued.

RECOMMENDATION

That:

- (a) the report be noted;
- (b) taking account of the nominations from the Groups, and subject to (c) and (d) below, consideration be given to the appointment of members to serve on the Authority's Committees;
- (c) the appointment of members to serve on the Planning Committee be subject to the revision of that membership to take account of the appointment of any Member Champions; and
- (d) the appointment of members to the Appeals Committee be deferred until a meeting of that Committee becomes necessary and at such time appropriate training be held if necessary.

RICHARD PARKIN
SECRETARIAT OFFICER

Background documents: None
12th July 2006

| COMMITTEE <i>[usual meeting day and approx no. of meetings per annum]</i> | TOTAL MEMBERSHIP [26] | Allocation of seats | | | |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------|
| | | Local authority | | Secretary of State | |
| | | County [7] | District [7] | Ordinary [7] | Parish [5] |
| Access <i>[Thurs – 4]</i> | 8 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Appeals <i>[as and when]</i> | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Audit and Review <i>[Fri – 4]</i> | 3 | 4/3 | 3/4 | 3/4 | 3/2 |
| Finance and Resources <i>[Mon – 4]</i> | 13 | 3/4 | 4/3 | 4/3 | 2/3 |
| Planning <i>[Tues – 12]</i> | 15 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 |
| Standards <i>[Thurs – 2/3]</i> | 7 * | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

Notes:

(a) When the Audit and Review and the Finance and Resources Committees were established, it was decided that their memberships should be mutually exclusive, hence the “either/or” allocation of seats for the two Committees.

(b) * Two Members of the Standards Committee are Independent members and have therefore been excluded from the calculation. At the May 2003 meeting of the Authority, it was agreed that the appointment of members to the Standards Committee should be dealt with in the same way as the appointment of members to other Committees (previously the membership had been selected ‘randomly’), although the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Authority and the Chairmen of both the Audit and Review and the Finance and Resources Committees will be precluded from membership.

ANNEX B

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Committee Memberships

| Member | Appointing body | Access | Appeals | Audit & Review | Finance & Resources | Planning | Standards |
|-----------------------|-----------------|--------|---------|----------------|---------------------|----------|-----------|
| <i>M'ship/Quorum→</i> | | 8/4 | 5/4* | 13/6 | 13/6 | 26/9 | 7/4 |
| Bird RA | CCC | | | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Blackie J | NYCC | | | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Brooks Mrs A | SoS | | | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Brown WH | SoS(P) | | | ✓ | | ✓ | |
| Butcher SHK | CDC | | | ✓ | | ✓ | |
| Dalton G | SoS(P) | ✓ | | ✓ | | ✓ | |
| Fenten W | SoS(P) | ✓ | | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Hammond C | SoS(P) | | | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Harrison-Topham TRN | NYCC | ✓ | | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Heather D | CDC | ✓ | | ✓ | | ✓ | |
| Ireton D | NYCC | | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Kendall OJ | RDC | | | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Kirkbride HA | SoS(P) | | | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Lancaster KJ | SLDC | ✓ | | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Lis C | CDC | | | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Macaré SR | NYCC | ✓ | | ✓ | | ✓ | |
| Marshall Mrs S | NYCC | | | ✓ | | ✓ | |
| Millward Mrs D | SoS | | | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Osborne A | SoS | | | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Peacock Mrs Y | RDC | | | ✓ | | ✓ | |
| Pearlman JJ | SoS | ✓ | | ✓ | | ✓ | |
| Petyt Dr KM | SoS | ✓ | | ✓ | | ✓ | |
| Ramsbottom Mrs FG | RDC | | | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Shaw-Wright S | NYCC | | | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Stedman Ms N | SoS | | | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ |
| Weston W | SoS | | | | ✓ | ✓ | |
| Lawton M | Ind | | | | | | ✓ |
| Rose Ms Y | Ind | | | | | | ✓ |

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| CCC | Cumbria County Council |
| NYCC | North Yorkshire County Council |
| SoS | Secretary of State appointee |
| SoS(P) | Secretary of State appointee (Parish member) |
| CDC | Craven District Council |
| RDC | Richmondshire District Council |
| SLDC | South Lakeland District Council |
| Ind | Independent member of the Standards Committee |

* At the July 2004 annual meeting, it was agreed that the membership of the Appeals Committee would be established from the full membership of the Authority as and when a meeting of that Committee became necessary.

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MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES
ALLOCATION OF SEATS BETWEEN GROUPS & MEMBER NOMINATION FORM

COUNTY COUNCIL GROUP

| COMMITTEE | MEMBERSHIP | Allocation of Seats | | | | Nominations for Membership | Nominations for Substitutes |
|-----------------------------|------------|---------------------|----------|--------------------|----------|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | | Local authority | | Secretary of State | | | |
| | | County | District | 'Ordinary' | Parish | | |
| Access | 8 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1. | N/A |
| | | | | | | 2. | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Appeals | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1. | N/A |
| | | | | | | 2. | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Audit & Review # | 13 | 4 (3) | 3 (4) | 3 (4) | 3 (2) | 1. | N/A |
| | | | | | | 2. | |
| | | | | | | 3. | |
| | | | | | | 4. | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Finance & Resources # | 13 | 3 (4) | 4 (3) | 4 (3) | 2 (3) | 1. | N/A |
| | | | | | | 2. | |
| | | | | | | 3. | |
| | | | | | | 4. | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Planning | 15 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 1. | 1. |
| | | | | | | 2. | 2. |
| | | | | | | 3. | 3. |
| | | | | | | 4. | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Standards | 7 * | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1. | N/A |
| | | | | | | 2. | |
| | | | | | | | |

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ALLOCATION OF SEATS BETWEEN GROUPS & MEMBER NOMINATION FORM**

DISTRICT COUNCIL GROUP

| COMMITTEE | MEMBERSHIP | Allocation of Seats | | | | Nominations for Membership | Nominations for Substitutes |
|----------------------------------|------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------------------|--|
| | | Local authority | | Secretary of State | | | |
| | | County | District | 'Ordinary' | Parish | | |
| Access | 8 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | | N/A |
| | | | | | | 1.K Lancaster | |
| | | | | | | 2.D Heather | |
| Appeals | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1. | N/A |
| | | | | | | | |
| Audit & Review # | 13 | 4 (3) | 3 (4) | 3 (4) | 3 (2) | | N/A |
| | | | | | | 1.Mrs Y Peacock | |
| | | | | | | 2.D Heather | |
| | | | | | | 3.K Lancaster | |
| | | | | | | 4. | |
| Finance & Resources # | 13 | 3 (4) | 4 (3) | 4 (3) | 2 (3) | 1.C Lis | N/A (NB OJK to move is balance changed) |
| | | | | | | 2.OJ Kendall | |
| | | | | | | 3.Mrs G Ramsbottom | |
| | | | | | | 4.S Butcher | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Planning | 15 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 1.D Heather | 1. Mrs Y Peacock |
| | | | | | | 2.S Butcher | 2. K Lancaster |
| | | | | | | 3.OJ Kendall | 3. Mrs G Ramsbottom |
| | | | | | | 4.C Lis | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Standards | 7 * | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1. | N/A |
| | | | | | | | |

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SECRETARY OF STATE GROUP

| COMMITTEE | MEMBERSHIP | Allocation of Seats | | | | Nominations for Membership | Nominations for Substitutes |
|----------------------------------|------------|---------------------|----------|--------------------|----------|---|-----------------------------|
| | | Local authority | | Secretary of State | | | |
| | | County | District | 'Ordinary' | Parish | | |
| Access | 8 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1. JJ Pearlman 2. Dr KM Petyt | N/A |
| Appeals | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1. | N/A |
| Audit & Review # | 13 | 4 (3) | 3 (4) | 3 (4) | 3 (2) | 1. JJ Pearlman 2. Dr KM Petyt 3. Ms N Stedman 4. | N/A |
| Finance & Resources # | 13 | 3 (4) | 4 (3) | 4 (3) | 2 (3) | 1. Mrs A Brooks 2. Mrs D Millward 3. A Osborne 4. W Weston | N/A |
| Planning | 15 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 1. Mrs A Brooks 2. A Osborne 3. JJ Pearlman 4. W Weston | 1. 2. 3. |
| Standards | 7 * | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1. | N/A |

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PARISH GROUP

| COMMITTEE | MEMBERSHIP | Allocation of Seats | | | | Nominations for Membership | Nominations for Substitutes |
|----------------------------------|------------|---------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | | Local authority | | Secretary of State | | | |
| | | County | District | 'Ordinary' | Parish | | |
| Access | 8 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1. | N/A |
| | | | | | | 2. | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Appeals | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1. | N/A |
| | | | | | | | |
| Audit & Review # | 13 | 4 (3) | 3 (4) | 3 (4) | 3 (2) | 1. | N/A |
| | | | | | | 2. | |
| | | | | | | 3. | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Finance & Resources # | 13 | 3 (4) | 4 (3) | 4 (3) | 2 (3) | 1. | N/A |
| | | | | | | 2. | |
| | | | | | | 3. | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Planning | 15 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 1. | 1. |
| | | | | | | 2. | 2. |
| | | | | | | 3. | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Standards | 7 * | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1. | N/A |
| | | | | | | | |

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