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To: Selection and Member Services Committee – Friday, 4 December 2009

Subject: APPOINTMENTS OF CHAMPIONS AND TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Classification Unrestricted

FOR DECISION

Appointments of Champions

1. The Leader of Kent County Council considers that there are certain areas of the Council's work where the role of a "Champion" would add value and enable relevant outside bodies and support networks to have an identified contact at Member level who can bring forward and advocate their ideas and concerns.

2. The Champions would have no decision-making function within the County Council, but would work to a framework set by the following generic terms of reference:-

To prioritise, where appropriate, the issues of their designated community within the Council's overall priorities and plans;

To consider the impact on their designated community of key Council decisions or policies;

To ensure that services to their designated community are robust and effective; and

To advocate and raise the profile of their designated community in Kent.

3. The Leader has identified three areas where he believes it would be appropriate to have a Champion. These are set out below, together with their nominations:-

Armed Forces Community: Mr Leyland Ridings;
Older Persons' : Mr Michael Angel
Younger Persons' : To be confirmed

Appointments to Outside Bodies

4. The Leader has nominated Mr Bryan Sweetland to replace Mr Mike Snelling as the County Council's Elected Member Director on the Boards of Kent County Trading Ltd, Kent County Supplies Ltd, Kent Top Temps Ltd and Kent County Facilities Ltd. He has requested the Committee's agreement to these nominations.

5. A letter has also been received from the Dover Roman Painted House Trust requesting a replacement for Mr Charles Findlay to serve on the Trust. The letter from the

Trust is attached at Appendix A. This is unfortunately an Outside Body of which the Head of Democratic Services and Local Leadership has been unaware until very recently. The Committee is therefore recommended to agree to make an appointment and to follow the Trust's request to appoint the Local Member. In the event that it does so, the Local Member for Dover Town is Mr Roger Frayne.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

6. The Committee is recommended to :-

- (a) agree the appointment of Champions with the Terms of Reference set out in paragraph 3 of the report;
- (b) agree the nominations set out in paragraph 4 of the report;
- (c) agree the appointment of Mr Bryan Sweetland as the County Council's Elected Member director on the Boards of Kent County Trading Ltd, Kent County Supplies Ltd, Kent Top Temps Ltd and Kent County Facilities Ltd ;
- (d) agree to appoint a Trustee to the Dover Roman Painted House Trust and that the Local Member for Dover Town should serve in that capacity.

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