COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE, 8 SEPTEMBER 2008

Present: - Councillors Armstrong, Beaver, Birch, Kramer and Pragnell (In the Chair)

1. MINUTES

<u>RESOLVED</u> – that the minutes of the meeting held on 11 June 2007 be approved as a correct record.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following Councillors declared their interests in the minutes indicated: -

Councillor	Minute	Interest
Armstrong	3 - Outside Bodies (in so far as that relates to Hastings Trust)	Personal – Trustee of the trust
Birch and Kramer	3 – Outside Bodies (in so far as that relates to the Youth Development Service – Hastings and Rother)	Personal – Members of the East Sussex County Council

3. OUTSIDE BODIES

The Borough Solicitor submitted a report on the nomination of Council members to sit on outside bodies. This followed consideration by the Working Arrangements Group of the position of members sitting on outside bodies, who had to declare their prejudicial interests and leave a meeting when some matters concerning that body were considered at Council and Committee meetings.

The report recommended significant changes to the interaction between councillors and outside bodies and it was important that organisations affected had the opportunity to comment on the proposals. In order to be able to undertake a review and to identify and consider alternative options, it was suggested that the Committee agree nominations for the remainder of the current financial year only, pending outcome of the review.

RESOLVED – that:

- (1) members be appointed to outside bodies for the balance of the current municipal year in accordance with the nominations of the political groups as shown on the schedule appended to these minutes; and
- (2) officers consult with outside bodies nominated to regarding the proposed way forward as set out in paragraphs 9 to 11 of the report.

(Voting in respect of the Magdalen and Lasher Charity was 2 for Councillor Soan, 3 for Councillor Stevens and 4 for Councillor Webb)

(The Chair declared the meeting closed at 4.51 pm)

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APPENDIX

Body	Number of vacancies	Appointed Nominees 2008/09	Additional information
Age Concern Hastings Borough Council	1	Martin	
Better Braybrooke	2	Daniel Sabetian	Councillors for Braybrooke Ward are automatically members
Central Cricket and Recreation Ground Management Committee	3		
Court of the University of Sussex	2	Beaver Charlesworth	Mayor is an automatic member
Domestic Violence Forum	1		
Friends of Alexandra Park	2	Matthew J Lock Sabetian	
Hastings Advice and Representation Centre	2	Fawthrop Soan	
Hastings Community Housing Association	2		
Hastings Domestic Abuse Project	1		
Hastings Furniture Service Ltd	1	Stevens	
Hastings International Chess Congress	4	Beaver Charlesworth M Lock Sabetian	

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Hastings Open Bowls Tournament	2	Charlesworth M Lock	
Hastings & Rother Citizens Advice Bureau Management Committee	2	Fawthrop Soan	Appointments are for three years
Hastings and Rother Mediation Service	1		
Hastings Sierra Leone Friendship Group	2	Armstrong Forward	
Hastings & St Leonards Foreshore Trust	2	Bird Webb	Nominations from the 2 largest groups on the Council
Hastings Trust	1		
Hastings Voluntary Action	1	Fawthrop	
Hastings Week Committee	4	Armstrong Charlesworth Forward Martin	Mayor is an automatic member
In Touch Home Improvement Agency	2	Bird	
Magdalen and Lasher Charity	2	Stevens Webb	Appointment is normally for three years
Shelter Housing Action for Hastings	1		
William Parker Community Athletics Arena Management Committee	2	M Lock Stevens	
XTRAX	1	Silverson	
Youth Accommodation Support Project Steering Group	1	Silverson	