

Report on	Working Group Meeting Report - Council Representation on Outside Bodies
Date of Meeting	Thursday 7 th November, 2019
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1.0	Purpose of Report
1.1	To receive and consider report of the first meeting of the Working Group on Council Representation on Outside Bodies held on Wednesday 9 th October.
2.0	Background
2.1	Policy and Resources Committee previously recommended and Council subsequently resolved that a working group of councillors be established to review, council's representation on outside bodies and on the approach taken to appoint representatives.
2.2	<p>The remit of the Working Group is detailed within its Terms of Reference, extending to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identifying outside bodies to which council has representation Reviewing continuing need for representation on the identified outside bodies Reviewing appropriateness of the number of representatives on the outside bodies Reviewing continuing need for those bodies, forums and partnerships established and facilitated by Council Reviewing approach taken when filling positions on outside bodies at annual meetings and as they arise Reviewing approach to dealing with 'in-year' requests to nominate to an outside body
2.3	The Working Group Terms of Reference confirms that it shall report to Policy & Resources Committee.
3.0	Main Report
3.1	The Working Group met on Wednesday 9 th October and a report of this meeting is attached for consideration and approval by the Committee.
3.2	<p>Actions agreed by the working group to fulfil its Terms of Reference are contained throughout the meeting report but specific attention is drawn to the following;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clarification be sought from the Department for Infrastructure (DfI) on the status of the Drainage Council membership and their plans for a reconstitution Vacancies on 'outside bodies from NILGA and Sustainable NI be filled prior to the outcome/conclusion of the work of the Working Group be filled.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Appointments to 4 NILGA Policy & Learning Networks be progressed through Policy & Resources Committee using D'Hondt calculation ○ Appointment of two nominees to Sustainable NI <i>All Party Group on Climate Change</i> be progressed through Environment Committee using D'Hondt Calculation
4.0	Other Considerations
4.1	Financial, Human Resources & Risk Implications
	Financial: not applicable
	Human: not applicable
	Risk Management: not applicable
4.2	Screening & Impact Assessments
	Equality & Good Relations Implications: not applicable
	Rural Needs Implications: not applicable
5.0	Recommendation(s)
5.1	That the committee considers and approves the report of the Working Group on Council Representation on Outside Bodies held on Wednesday 9 th October 2019.
6.0	Documents Attached & References
	Appendix A - Working Group Meeting Report: Council Representation on Outside Bodies