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| <b>SCRUTINY COMMISSION FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES</b> | <b>Agenda Item No. 4</b> |
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## **Report of the Director of Governance**

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### **APPOINTMENT OF CO-OPTED MEMBERS**

#### **1. PURPOSE**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to request that the Commission consider appointing four co-opted Members to the Commission. As per the constitution Part 4, Section 8 – Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Commission Procedure Rules, paragraph 3:

3.1 The Scrutiny Committee or Scrutiny Commissions shall be entitled to co-opt, as non-voting members, external representatives or otherwise invite participation from non-members where this is relevant to their work.

#### **2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 It is recommended that the Commission agree to appoint four Parish Councillors to the Commission as Co-opted Members with no voting rights for the remainder of the municipal year 2014/2015, for the purpose of providing input in to the development of the Rural Vision and Strategy. The appointment will be reviewed at the first meeting of the Commission in the next municipal year 2015/2016.

#### **4. BACKGROUND**

4.1 At a meeting of the Scrutiny Commission for Rural Communities on 17 November 2014, it was agreed that up to four Parish Councillors should be nominated to become Co-opted Members of the Scrutiny Commission for Rural Communities, with the purpose of providing input in to the development of the Rural Vision and Strategy. The Communities and Development Manager was asked by the Commission to go out to Parish Councils to request nominations and the following names were provided:

- Keith Lievesly – Ufford Parish Council
- Joe Dobson – Helpston Parish Council
- Henry Clark – Peakirk Parish Council
- To provide

The Co-opted Members will have a specific role to provide input in to the Rural Vision and Strategy and their membership will be reviewed at the first meeting of the Commission in the new municipal year 2015/2016.

#### **6. IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 None

#### **7. CONSULTATION**

7.1 None

**8. NEXT STEPS**

- 8.1 If the Commission agree to the appointment of the proposed named co-opted members then the nominated members will take part in the meeting at which this report is being considered and future meetings as required until their membership is reviewed at the beginning of the new municipal year.

**9. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS**

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

- 9.1 None

**10. APPENDICES**

- 10.1 None