

## Agenda Item 10

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<b>Subject</b>	Review of Appointments to Outside Organisations
<p><b>RECOMMENDATIONS</b></p> <p>The Committee is asked to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Note the information provided in the report</li> <li>2. Consider whether it wishes to make any recommendation to the Council on future appointments to the outside organisations included in the report</li> <li>3. Recommend to the Council that a mechanism is included within the revised Council Constitution to ensure that Members:-             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Are briefed by officers before attending meetings of the organisations.</li> <li>b) provide feedback back to the Senior Officer responsible</li> <li>c) Provide a report for Members and from time to time give an update at meetings of the Scrutiny Committee and the Executive.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	

### Background

- 1.1. Each year the Council appoints representatives to outside organisations. When finalising its work programme for 2013/2014 the Scrutiny Committee agreed that it wished to review these appointments ensure sure that they were still relevant and offered value to the community
- 1.2. In late 2013/early 2014 a short questionnaire was sent to all outside organisations (apart from appointments connected with organisations such as Surrey County Council and the Local Government Association) seeking their opinion as to Mole Valley representation on their organisations. The information received was presented to the Committee at a meeting earlier in the year.
- 1.3 Following this the Strategic Management Team assessed the value to the Community of specific Member representation on these organisations. Their comments, as well as the original comments from the organisations themselves are set out in Appendix A.
- 1.4 A questionnaire was also sent to those Members who represent the Council on these organisations to establish whether the organisation was proactive in contacting our representative and what level of involvement was required. This information is also set out in Appendix A.
- 1.5 Representing the Council on these outside organisations is huge work commitment undertaken by Members and to get the maximum benefit of this commitment for all concerned, it would be appropriate for Mole Valley representatives on outside organisations to:
  - be briefed by officers before attending meetings of the organisations, where appropriate.

- provide feedback back to the Senior Officer responsible
- provide a report for Members and/or give an update at meetings of the Scrutiny Committee and the Executive from time to time.

1.6 A mechanism for this is being developed for inclusion with the Council's Constitution.

1.7 The Committee is asked to review the information and decide whether it wishes to make any recommendations on future appointments to the Council at this stage or whether it would wish to revisit the review at a later date when the process set out in Recommendation 3 has been embedded.

## **CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS**

**Monitoring Officer commentary** - The Monitoring Officer confirms that all relevant legal implications have been taken into account

**S151 Officer commentary** - The S151 Officer confirms that the relevant financial implications have been considered in this report

**Legal Implications** – None arising from this report.

**Financial and Risk Implications** - None arising from this report

**Equalities Implications** - None arising from this report

**Employment Issues** - None arising from this report

**Sustainability Issues** - None arising from this report

**BACKGROUND PAPERS** - None.

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Age Concern Dorking & District	Age Concern help to make later life a fulfilling and rewarding experience. It also helps to promote independent living.	Age Concern represents the views of older people and services. The Council has links through existing Services and one voluntary service. It is not essential to have a Member representative.	Age Concern help to assist their clients access service they need – Voluntary, social services, NHS and Council services	Non-Essential	Mick Longhurst			
Ashtead Common Consultative Committee	This committee is a forum in which local stakeholders have the opportunity to comment upon the City of London Corporation’s management of Ashtead Common. The Council appointee attends meetings to represent the views of the Council.	The Group provides a useful opportunity to represent the views of the community on issues relating to this land. It is considered that the Corporation of London are effective at managing the land and whilst there are no issues of concern about the way in which the area is managed, the group is a useful forum for discussion.	The committee provides critique and feedback on the City of London Corporation’s work plan for the Common and helps ensure that the Common is managed with the best interests of local stakeholders in mind. Therefore it helps Mole Valley District Council meet its priorities for Access to Services, Environment and Value for Money.	Prefer to have a Council Appointed Representative	John Northcott	Yes – Monthly Newsletters and Activity Reports	Two formal meetings a year, which have been attended	There are issues shared by the ACCC and the Council (such as dog control problems) which I can facilitate discussions between the Council and ACCC officers, to the benefit of both organisations.
Ashtead Peace Memorial Hall Committee	APMH is held in trust by trustees to provide a place where all members of the community can meet and take part in a vey wide variety of activities for education and enjoyment	The APMH does a good job and ensures that the building is maintained and improved and there is a wide variety of use made of the building. The Trustees of the APMH take forward this responsibility. A Council appointment to this group is not required.	The hall is used to provide facilities to the local community therefore contributing to the Councils access to services priority	Prefer to have a Council Appointed Representative	Simon Ling	Yes. No introductory information provided or necessary as I have been a member since 2010.	Yes – monthly meetings. I usually manage at least one in two.	The Hall is very well used by many community groups and it is good for Council/Public relations for the Council to be seen to be involved in the management.
Ashtead United Charities	Ashtead United Charities provide affordable housing for poor women in Ashtead who are over 50 years old. If no one meets this criteria the accommodation is made available to residents of Mole Valley	From the point of view of representing the Council, this is not essential. Links are in place through the Housing Service for affordable housing and planning advice.	By providing accommodation for elderly ladies in housing need	The organisation’s Terms of Reference make provision for Council Representatives	Mrs Stewart Sylvia Sharland	External Appointees		
Bookham United Charities	The organisation:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Provides accommodation for single women who have resided within the Mole Valley District.</li> <li>Assists the poor, elderly and sick of</li> </ul>	From the point of view of representing the Council, this is not essential. Links are in place through the Housing Service for	Not confirmed by the organisation	The organisation’s Terms of Reference make provision for Council Representatives	Clare Curran			

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	the ancient Parish of GT Bookham	affordable housing and planning advice.			David Wishart	External Appointee		
Dorking & District Town Twinning Assoc	To coordinate participation between Dorking and its Twin Towns of Gouvieux (France) and Guglingen (Germany).	Town twinning is not a core function of the Council and is run by town twinning groups who take forward this role very well. The Council is always happy to be a part of the visits and to help where it can, but does not see the need for a formal council rep on this group. Local members may decide to be involved but not as a formal council representative.	Not confirmed by the organisation	The organisations wants continued representation from the Council	Stephen Cooksey	Yes - Regular contact with organisation – I receive, minutes, agenda, newsletters etc	I act as a full member of the Management Committee and participate in all meetings and events.	It maintains a close link with Dorking’s two twin towns – Gouvieux and Guglingen. It is important to have that contact since many of the twinning events have a civic element.
					Corinna Osborne-Patterson	The organisation is in frequent contact with me. I receive Minutes, agendas, emails notifying me of meetings and events and newsletters.	Meetings are every month. I attend most meetings.	I think the appointment to the organisation has huge benefits for the council. It enables councillors and committee members to promote MVDC and Dorking as a market town, whilst enabling us to share and benefit from other cultures. There are frequent trips both to France and Germany and visits from their Town Twinning Associations to the UK. It is an extremely fun association which enables an exchanging of information and views with an element of formal civic duty. It also enables councillors to be a part of other bodies and be working with residents in Dorking and surrounding areas.
Dorking Charities	Dorking Charities provide supported housing for local people.	From the point of view of representing the Council, this is not essential. Links are in place through the Housing Service for affordable housing and planning advice.	By providing a service for local people	The organisation’s Terms of Reference make provision for Council Representatives	Mr Heath Mrs Grieve Mrs Lawrence	External Appointees		

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Dorking Residential Care Homes Ltd	Dorking Residential Care Homes Limited (Nowercare) is a Limited Liability Company registered under the Industrial and Provident Societies Act 1965 with charitable status. Nowercare operates a residential care home in Dorking for 50 residents. Our residents are generally Mole Valley Residents or those who have family or other connection with Mole Valley. Annual Turnover is around £1.5m The management of Nowercare is overseen by the Management Committee to which MVDC appoints a 'deputy'. The Management Committee (Board) oversees the operation of Nowercare under the relevant Acts of Parliament. Inter alia it is responsible for the governance of the company – Financial, Health & Safety and Employment etc. Members of the Management Committee are also required to conduct inspection visits at least once per year.		Access to Services – Nowercare is a not for profit organisation providing care to some of Mole Valley's most vulnerable members of society.	Prefer to have a Council Appointed Representative	Paul Elderton	I have served on the management committee of DRCH Ltd since first elected (May 2009) and receive agendas, minutes and other documents from the secretary and manager	The management committee meets five times a year (including the AGM). On average I have attended four out of five meetings each year.	Unless there is a process of reporting back to the Council, it is impossible to suggest any benefit the Council may receive from this appointment.
Fetcham United Charities	Fetcham United Charities manages Almshouses in Fetcham that provides accommodation for tem retired people.	From the point of view of representing the Council, this is not essential. Links are in place through the Housing Service for affordable housing and planning advice.	Fetcham United Charities provide a service to residents and work with their residents to access services they require.	The organisation's Terms of Reference make provision for Council Representatives	Emile Aboud			
					Raj Haque	The Organisation had been in contact with me since my appointment. They normally notify to all who are appointed by way of E- mail to attend the meeting.	The Charity has four Trustees Meetings a year. Since June there have been 2 meetings one of which I was able to attend. Minutes of the meetings are sent to all of the Trustees and other relevant information relating to the residents of Morley Court & relayed to the Trustees when appropriate.	As a council member representing Fetcham West (including Morley Court) it is valuable to have my input and advice to the Organisation although it has its own Constitution and conduct its affair accordingly having Council members on the Board of Trusteeship makes the organisation more formal and allow the organisation to operate very professionally, efficiently And effectively.
					Sarah Seed			

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Friends of Triel	Town Twinning – promoting links between Leatherhead and Triel-Sur-Seine	Town twinning is not a core function of the Council and is run by town twinning groups who take forward this role very well. Council is always happy to be a part of the visits and to help where it can, but does not see the need for a formal council rep on this group. Local members may decide to be involved but not as a formal council representative	As an independent organisation they are not a service provided.	Prefer to have a Council Appointed Representative	Bridget Lewis-Carr	Yes, we have regular meetings, firstly going over the visit of the people from Triel when they came here in May. After that we are planning our visit to Triel next May.	We meet every two months, or more frequently before a function, such as the AGM last week when we had an ordinary committee meeting beforehand.	It benefits the District by co-ordinating schools and other organisations with French schools and different sports between Leatherhead and Triel. During the last 10 years during which I have represented MVDC on the “Friends of Triel”, I have been able to nurture good relations with the Triel council. We are actually very limited in what we can do without proper funding from the Council.
204 Gatwick Greenspace Partnership	The Gatwick Greenspace Partnership has two principle aims:- 1. To help protect and improve the local green spaces for the benefit of people and wildlife. 2. To encourage people to visit and appreciate these spaces through a range of educational events and activities including guided walks and talks on a variety of subjects.	The work of this group has implications for how the countryside that residents enjoy are protected and improved for the benefit of all. This is a core function that the Council has responsibility for and chooses to work in partnership to discharge. They bring in the valuable help of volunteers. Given the wide impact of this work it is considered that a council rep on this group is valuable.	GGP work in partnership with MVDC on several sites including Chart Park, Deepdene Terrace and Great Turner’s Wood to ensure that these areas are maintained . They also support the Council work to encourage local residents to become involved in the management and active us of these areas	The organisation wants continued representation from the Council	Valerie Homewood	Yes – including minutes, agendas, annual report and financial reports	Yes – twice a year. One in September (attended) and again in February 2015	GGP does conservation work in my Ward (Beare Green. I am hoping they will attend the next years village funday to contact residents. I am the connexion between GGP and the Council which certainly benefits them and also I believe the Council. GGP, by helping to care for the wild spaces around Beare Green, Capel, Newdigate and Charlwood supports our fight against a second runway and its impact on the rural area. Being on the Board helps me to explain where appropriate the good work they do which the Council partly funds.
					Vivienne Michael	Yes – regular newsletters	Yes. I have attended meetings in previous years but have been unable to do so this year due to my professional commitments.	It is a significant benefit as it: - alerts us to partnership opportunities that help MVDC meet its priorities - enables us to identify areas in which the organisation might require/benefit from MVDC support - enables us to better scrutinise the organisation’s activities, performance and use of MVDC fund

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Leatherhead & Dorking CAB	An independent local charity providing a generalist advice service giving advice to people for the problems they face and trying to improve policies and practices that affect peoples lives.	The CAB is a valuable independent service giving advice and signposting to individuals in Mole Valley across a wide range of problems that they face. As the Core funder it is appropriate that Member representation is maintained in relation to the CAB.	The Citizens Advice service is key to meeting all the goals set out under Access to Services.	Prefer to have a Council Appointed Representative	Lynne Brooks	Appointed prior to June 2014 – On-going communication from the CAB is very good	Yes- I have attended all meetings	It provides an interesting view of the value for money the Council receives from the grant given.
					Bridget Lewis-Carr	Yes, it has. We discuss the minutes, the Chairman’s report, the Manager’s report and we hear of other sub-committees. Social report, too (case studies).	Yes it has. We met on 11 <sup>th</sup> August, 10 <sup>th</sup> November and the Annual Public Meeting, 18 <sup>th</sup> November. I have attended all these meetings.	I am a link between the CAB and MVDC. I try to make the council realise the shortfall that means the CAB cannot function as much as it needs to with the public as a paid member of the CAB has to be present for volunteers to work with the clients. The work of the CAB has become increasingly intricate recently with new systems to work with too. Universal Benefit will have a further impact on the hours they work. Huge numbers of people on benefits will need to consult with the two offices.
Leatherhead Area Partnership	The organisation’s membership is made up of representatives from local groups such as Residents Associations, Chamber of Commerce and Community Groups. The Company has various roles including:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Obtaining and canvassing views of various groups in the area</li> <li>• Sourcing funding for various projects</li> <li>• Liaison between local groups and the Council</li> <li>• Management of projects where appropriate</li> </ul>	The work of LAP is important as it brings together many groups in the Leatherhead community and through which the Council can discuss its thoughts and ideas for Leatherhead and input into other people’s suggestions. As one of the District’s largest towns Leatherhead has an impact on many other surrounding villages.	The organisation is in a unique position to assist the Council in meeting its priorities as it brings together representatives of MDVC, Surrey County Council and various resident, business and community groups in the area. It can therefore assist the Council in liaising with these groups, source potential funding that the Council cannot access and can manage appropriate projects for the benefit of the local area.	The organisation wants continued representation from the Council	Bridget Lewis-Carr	Yes. LAP meets 2-monthly.	I wasn’t able to attend in October as abroad.	Initially it was able to receive grants on behalf of the District which were not payable to the council. Following completion of projects funded by SEEDA, LAP has been able to co-ordinate the commercial community and the residents analysing civic comparisons, although in the recent past it does seem that this information has not been taken up by the council.

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Leatherhead United Charities	Leatherhead United Charities provides sheltered housing for local people. It also makes grants to those in need and pays a pension to those who qualify.	From the point of view of representing the Council, this is not essential. Links are in place through the Housing Service for affordable housing and planning advice.	By providing services to local people and helping their residents access additional income	The organisation's Terms of Reference make provision for Council Representatives	Bridget Lewis-Carr	Yes.	We meet every 6 weeks. I have missed 1 meeting due to other commitments	Greatly! The Leatherhead United Charities is a very old charity, formed over 450 years ago. We own several properties in Leatherhead, Homefield with about 12 residents, Skeet House, Stenning Court with about 30 residents, an old house in Church Walk with 2 flats, one resident in each (and a couple of properties in Surbiton with tenants). These homes are available for "gentle" folk who have no housing and have lived in the former Leatherhead Urban District Council area for several years.
					Philippa Shimmin	Yes including a history of the organisation.	They meet every 5 weeks, I am always aware of the meeting dates and have only been unable to attend a couple of the meetings.	
					David Sharland			
Lower Mole Countryside Management Project	<p>The Lower Mole CMS provides a high quality and efficient volunteer based service for local communities and public and private landowners across its project area in the northern part of the District.</p> <p>Services provided include:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Working to conserve and enhance habitats and biodiversity</li> <li>Working with landowners to promote best practice and sympathetic land management.</li> <li>Providing and promoting opportunities for access to the local countryside and green spaces</li> </ul>	The work of this group has implications for how the countryside that residents enjoy are protected and improved for the benefit of all. This is a core function that the Council has responsibility for and chooses to work in partnership to discharge. They bring in the valuable help of volunteers. Given the wide impact of this work	In carrying out its work the Lower Mole CMS helps MVDC deliver its key priorities of Environment and Value for Money.	The organisation wants continued representation from the Council	Simon Ling	Yes –all appropriate documents supplied.	Only one meeting since 17 June. I was unable to attend but Cllr Northcott substituted.	The Countryside Partnerships benefits Mole valley through countryside management and community action in open spaces throughout Mole Valley. We contribute to the financing of the Board and therefore need to be involved to monitor the work that is being done and the use to which our funds are put.



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Encouraging local people to become involved in the CMS primarily by engaging in practical work on sites in need of enhancement or management.</li> <li>Enabling local groups to become self sufficient in carrying out countryside improvements in their local area.</li> </ul>	it is considered that a council rep on this group is valuable.			Paul Potter	Yes – regular updates on activities provided	Yes – next meeting scheduled for February 2015	
Mickleham Almshouses	To administer all matters relating to the Almshouses in Mickleham, including the provision of tenancy for the needy of the parish, collecting payments and all aspects of maintenance.		It works with the Housing Service to fill its vacancies	The organisation’s Terms of Reference make provision for Council Representatives	Mrs Gillian Hall Mrs Sunter			
Mole Valley Arts Forum	Members are arts practitioners from every discipline, organisations representing practitioners and promoting concerts in the area and venues where events are hosted. MVAf speak on behalf on that community within Mole Valley and lobby the council for member’s interests as well as advising MVDC and acting as a sounding board for ideas on the development of public art. We exchange information and promote arts provision in the area and list all of our members contact details on our site. Our website advertises members' activities and promotes arts events in Mole Valley. Our online events calendar also acts as a clash diary for the Mole Valley region. We provide information, advice and training and we make small bi-annual grants to our members.	The arts are important to the quality of life for residents and the Councils support of cultural activities in the district is co-ordinated via a number of projects led by the Council’s partnerships team. The Mole Valley Arts Forum is an important part of that work and it is helpful to have council appointees who can discuss a range of arts issues that affect the whole district.	MVAf is continually engaging with customers and listening to communities from all walks of life in the Mole Valley area, some of whom come from groups that the council may consider ‘hard to reach’. We aim to work with MVDC in giving greater emphasis to work taking place in or by groups within the council’s designated priority areas. We already have members based in the Leatherhead Common and Dorking Links areas and, as an organisation; the Freewheelers Theatre Company, for example, brings disabled and non-disabled actors and supporters, production teams and the local community together. Productions provided by amateur dramatic groups such as the Woodfield Entertainers and the Ashtead Players allow people of all ages to participate in a positive social enterprise involving teamwork and engagement with their community. As a critical friend to the council, MVAf	The organisation wants continued representation from the Council	David Draper	Yes – Confirmation of the first meeting date	The first meeting of the Forum since appointment in late November 2014 (after this info provided)	Unknown at this stage.

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			<p>seeks a greater role in consultation over public works of art. As the only district-wide arts umbrella organisation, we are in a unique position to listen to the council's objectives and plans, consult with the artistic community of the region and give the council constructive feedback. We passionately agree with the council's belief that "we all have an impact on the quality of life of the community and can achieve much more together than we could hope to do alone". Our treasurer, Caroline Salmon was the driving force behind the Dorking cycling sculpture which celebrates our region's contribution to the Olympic Games and is now a lasting monument and tourist attraction.</p> <p>MVAF represents value for money to the council. We administer small grants of up to £500 to member organisations to help towards the costs of specific projects. This saves the council time and money in dealing with the applications, evaluation of suitability according to defined criteria and the communication of judgements to both successful and unsuccessful applicants and the dispensing of grants to the former. Our grant-making allows our members to price their tickets so that it encourages the widest participation possible amongst people of all economic circumstances. In the case of many, for example the Surrey Artists open studios, it allows access or participation in activities, performances and exhibitions free of charge. Through its valued members, MVAF also supports council assets such as the Dorking Halls, the Green Room, car parking areas and town centres by bringing in revenue and custom through our members' use of council-run venues for their events.</p>		Mary Huggins	I haven't received Terms of Reference, and the Newsletter is, I believe, in the process of being reorganised. But I have had several e-mails regarding meetings and activities.	Meeting dates are not set for the whole year – currently they are on an as-and-when basis. I have, along with other committee members, not always been able to attend meetings, as they have clashed and the optimum date has been chosen. However, I was able to help with the arrangements for the recent AGM where a new Chairman was elected and will always attend if I am able.	Arts provision in Mole Valley is important to its residents – and there are many organisations providing a variety of services and activities. It is beneficial for the Council to be involved in this.

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Redhill Aerodrome Consultative Committee	The Committee provides an opportunity for information exchange between Redhill Aerodrome and interested Parties. The Consultative Committee act as a means of consultation in relation to Redhill Aerodrome for the purpose of Section 35 of the Civil Aviation Act 1982.	Redhill Aerodrome has been proposing a number of changes recently and whilst the impact of the aerodrome is not felt across the whole district , it may have a bearing on parts of the east of the district. For that reason it is considered important that the Council is represented on this group to consider the proposals from the aerodrome and to gauge what their impact may be.	As part of its consultative role the Committee helps to maintain the character and environment of Mole Valley	The organisation wants continued representation from the Council	Paul Potter	Yes – information provided to keep up to date with the activities of the Aerodrome.	Yes – informed of meeting dates	It has been important to keep up to date with the application for a hard runway at the aerodrome, as this will have an effect on the wider area.

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Strategic Aviation Special Interest Group (SASIG)	<p>SASIG works with Local Authorities on national aviation policy so as to reconcile economic, social and environmental issues. SASIG’s objectives are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to promote the need for long-term, sustainable aviation policies that lead to a reduction in the environmental impact of aviation whilst securing appropriate social and economic benefits;</li> <li>to increase understanding of the local and global impacts of aviation on the environment and communities;</li> <li>to identify and promote the changes needed to move towards sustainable aviation practices within the industry and Government; and</li> <li>to work with other organisations and the Government on the formulation of policy advice.</li> </ul> <p>Please see the ‘SASIG Annual Report to the LGA Executive, April 2013’, as attached to the email supplying this form. Please also see the <u>attachments</u>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>‘SASIG: Developing UK Aviation Policy – our work and role’; and</li> <li>‘SASIG - Working for Local Authorities’ – illustration of Local Authorities’ responsibilities encompassed by SASIG’s work.</li> </ul>	<p>In the light of all the work that is going on from the Airport’s commission and the proposals for developing aviation capacity in the South East, it is consider essential that the Council is represented on this group.</p>	<p><b>Access to services</b> SASIG’s work supplies detail about and supports commentary on issues the Council determines residents should be aware of and engaged with in the aviation policy arena. SASIG membership gives access into a network of colleagues at other Local Authorities working on related issues, sharing knowledge and best practice. SASIG also links in to a broader network of specialists within the aviation policy sector, across Central Government, European Parliament, the aviation industry, NGOs, charities and campaign groups.</p> <p><b>Environment</b> The addition of SASIG’s knowledge, information and guidance to the Council’s expertise on the local economy and housing stock provides for appropriate growth across the economy, business and housing sectors. SASIG provides a route through which to bolster the Council’s message into Central Government on relevant aspects of aviation policy, for instance, driving the noise management and reduction regime, integrating issues with planning policy, supporting economic development and regeneration, protecting health and promoting social wellbeing.</p> <p><b>Value for money</b> The annual subscription to SASIG is a cost-effective acquisition of services on a scale that is considerably lower than the equivalent cost of paying for in-house provision of such services: Maintaining an awareness of, and taking an active involvement in discussions about, land use, thus linking with Mole Valley’s Land Allocations Plan. Progressing the aviation policy debate by retaining an eye on innovative opportunities through networking and expanding on conversations with colleagues. Thus, areas that Mole Valley DC would wish to see progressed are supported through SASIG.</p>	Prefer to have a Council Appointed Representative	Charles Yarwood			

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Surrey County Playing Field Association	<p>In conjunction with our Affiliated Associations the aims and objectives are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To encourage the provision of recreational facilities for all age groups, particular attention being paid to the needs of village communities</li> <li>To provide technical advice, information and assist with research on the planning, design and construction of indoor and outdoor facilities for sporting activities</li> <li>To specialise in recreation for children and young people</li> <li>To raise funds and to make grants and loans in furtherance of these objectives</li> <li>To co-operate in saving threatened recreational facilities</li> </ul> <p>In the past 2 years SCPFA have inspected about 90 playing fields of which 49 fields in Surrey were secured as Queen Elizabeth II fields – a legacy from the Diamond Jubilee and the Olympics. They also provide local volunteers who advise County Sports Bodies</p>	There would be benefits from working with the Association on specific projects although there is no need for the Council to be formally represented on the Association Committee.	SCPFA provides advice and funding to local clubs. It has also worked with the Council to purchase sports fields.	Prefer to have a Council Appointed Representative	Roger Hurst			
					Peter Stanyard	Yes – Copies of the Annual Report and Minutes	Unable to attend the AGM due to a clash with a Council meeting. No further dates confirmed	Unknown at this stage.
Surrey Rural Partnership	<p>The aim of the partnership is to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bring together relevant organisations to provide coordination and leadership for rural interests to ensure the best delivery of services in rural Surrey,</li> <li>Champion Surrey’s rural interests; and</li> <li>Influence and monitor the outcomes of strategies which impact on rural Surrey.</li> </ul>	The group works across the whole of the rural areas of Surrey and brings together many different groups who have a common theme of being in a rural area. Subjects covered may relate to sustainable housing, supporting rural communities, tourism or farming etc. Given the rural south of the district this is an important debate for the Council, but the Council will take forward action on these	Not confirmed by the organisation	Prefer to have a Council Appointed Representative	David Mir	No	No	Unknown at this stage.

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		matters through other channels, an appointment here is not considered essential. However most councils are represented and the meetings are infrequent, so it would be helpful to have an attendee to ensure Mole Valley can be part of the discussion of a wide ranging agenda.			Paul Potter	I have appointed for four years, but have received limited information on the work of the Partnership	No.	
Sydney Simmons Homes	Management of almshouses – providing affordable house for those in need	The Council has invested in this and helped with grant agreements. A representative of the Council is desirable.	The organisation works with the Council’s housing team to identify new residents	The organisation’s Terms of Reference make provision for Council Representatives	Mrs Christine Townsend			
Voluntary Action Mid-Surrey (VAMS)	Voluntary Action Mid Surrey (VAMS) champions the cause of the voluntary sector in Central Surrey, and works to bring voluntary organisations together for this purpose.	VAMS supports the Voluntary Sector across Mid Surrey including Mole Valley. As a funder of VAMS it is appropriate to have a Councillor representative on their Board.	Not confirmed by the organisation	The organisation wants continued representation from the Council	Vivienne Michael	No	No	Potentially of significant benefit as it would: - alert us to partnership opportunities that help MVDC meet its priorities - enable us to identify areas in which the organisation might require/benefit from MVDC support - enable us to better scrutinise the organisation’s activities, performance and use of MVDC funds