



THE BARR BEACON TRUST MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



Council – 12 January 2015

Barr Beacon Trust Management Committee - Amendment to Terms of Reference

1.0 Purpose

To seek approval to extend the membership of the Barr Beacon Trust Management Committee to include Councillors from the Aldridge Central and South Ward which is adjacent to the site.

2.0 Recommendation

That the membership of the Barr Beacon Management Committee be extended to include the Councillors for the Aldridge Central and South Ward and that the Terms of Reference of the Management Committee be amended accordingly.

3.0 Report detail

On 26 February 2007 the Council as Corporate Trustee for Barr Beacon, established a management committee in order to deal with the regular administration of the Trusts affairs. The Management Committee comprises the Ward Councillors for the Pheasey Park Farm and Streetly Wards, being the Wards where the site is located; and Cabinet Members whose portfolio includes Leisure and Regeneration. The committee also has the power to co-opt representatives of local interest groups in an advisory capacity.

In partnership with the Council, the committee supports the management of the site and, arising from significant Heritage Lottery Funding, has overseen the refurbishment of the War Memorial and provision of a number of community activities on the site. This, together with the success of the annual 'Bands on the Beacon' event has required the committee to meet more often. However, a number of meetings have not been quorate which has resulted in delays to decision making. Expanding the membership, with the quorum remaining the same, i.e. three voting members, should overcome this.

A 'Friends of Barr Beacon' Group has now been established which, together with the increase in community activities undertaken on the site, has generated more local interest from the Aldridge South area which is adjacent to the northern side of the Beacon. In view of this, the Committee has suggested that it would be beneficial for the Aldridge Central and South Ward Councillors to be involved in the day to day management of the site and has recommended that the membership of the committee is amended accordingly.

4.0 Background papers

Report to Barr Beacon Trust 26 February 2007

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