

KETTERING TOWN COUNCIL

REPORT FOR DECISION

Item No:- 2022/043

Committee:-	Council
Date:-	19 th October 2022
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Report Title:-	Appointments to Outside Bodies
Wards Affected:-	All

1. Purpose of Report

To agree two appointments to outside bodies

2. Recommendations

Council is recommended to make appointments to Kettering Homestart Trust Board and the Kettering Charities for the Poor/William Martin Charity Board of Trustees

3. Information

3.1. Kettering Homestart have invited the Town Council to make an appointment to the Trust's Board. The appointment will be until May 2025. The Trust Board manages the affairs of Kettering Homestart, which provides support to families in Kettering and the wider area, and to which, in 22/23, the Council has provided some grant support. The appointment is not contingent on the provision of grant aid. The commitment for the appointed person is to attend quarterly meetings and enable 2 way communication about the challenges facing families locally. The appointment would be as a non voting representative.

3.2. The Council appoints four people to the Board of Trustees for the Charities for the Poor and for the William Martin Charity, both charities that the Council provides administrative support to. One of the appointees - Mrs Jenny Henson – sadly died in September and therefore a new appointment is requested. The commitment is to attend two daytime meetings of the Trust each year and to respond by email to applications for apprenticeship grants when these arrive during the course of a year (usually up to five applications per year).

4. Consultation and Engagement

Both organisations have approached the Council.

5. Finance, Legal and Resource Implications

None for the Council

6. Policy Implications

The Council's corporate plan sets out its overall purpose:-

- To understand what local people want and aspire to
- To provide services not already delivered by statutory bodies, where there is an unmet need
- To represent its area to other service providers
- To provide leadership to its community
- To provide civic pride and presence

The plan also says

The Council needs to constructively engage with a wide range of people to achieve its objectives and to demonstrate leadership – it can do that partly through all the measures described above, and within its action plan, but needs to be prepared to be responsive to new challenges and opportunities as they arise and to “have its finger on the pulse” of the local community

Background Papers

Request from Kettering Homestart

