NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY (Annual General Meeting)

3 June 2020

Present: Councillor Mrs D Clements (Deputy Chair in the Chair)
Councillor P Baker, Councillor K Doolin, Councillor M Evans, Dr M
Havard, Dr R Heath-Davies, Councillor P Harries, Mrs S Hoss,
Councillor M James, Mr GA Jones, Councillor P Kidney, Councillor
PJ Morgan, Councillor R Owens, Dr RM Plummer, Councillor A
Wilcox, Councillor M Williams and Councillor S Yelland.

[Mrs J James arrived following item 1 on the Agenda, Election of Chairman.]

(Virtual Meeting: 10.00a.m. – 10.20a.m.)

1. Election of Chairman

The Chair reported that one nomination had been received for the office of Chair; Councillor P Harries.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that Councillor P Harries be elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

[Councillor P Harries took the Chair and presided over the remainder of the meeting.]

2. Chairman's thanks

Councillor P Harries thanked Members for their confidence in electing him as Chairman of the Authority for a further year. He stated it was an honour to represent the Authority and that he would carry out his duties to the best of his abilities.

He wished to thank the Authority's staff, particularly the Chief Executive, for their support over the previous year, and also his Deputy Chair, Councillor D Clements. Councillor Harries commented that recently much time had been taken up responding to the Covid-19 pandemic and he expressed his sympathy to those who had been affected. He also thanked those care and support workers who had worked tirelessly to keep as many people as possible safe and healthy. He noted that as a result of the lockdown, the Authority's carbon footprint had been reduced, and as the country moved towards an easing of the lockdown it would be interesting to see how the marine and terrestrial environment had been affected. He concluded by saying that he still intended to walk the Coast Path in its 50th Anniversary year, and he would welcome anyone who wished to accompany him for part of it.



3. Election of Deputy Chair

The Chairman reported that one nomination had been received for the office of Deputy Chair; Councillor Mrs D Clements.

It was **UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that Councillor Mrs D Clements be elected Deputy Chair for the ensuing year.

4. Apologies

There were no apologies for absence.

5. Disclosures of interest

No disclosures of interest were received.

6. Membership of Committees and External Organisations

Before presenting her report to Members, the Administration and Democratic Services Manager congratulated Councillors Harries and Mrs Clements on their re-election as the Authority's Chairman and Deputy Chair respectively. She said it had been a pleasure to work with them over the previous year and she looked forward to continuing to do so in the coming months.

Turning to her report, she reminded Members that it was customary at the Annual General Meeting to review the membership of the Authority's Committees and Groups, together with the Authority's Member representation on outside bodies.

She added that the Investigating and Disciplinary Committee, Grievance Committee and Appeals Committee were not included in her report as their composition would be confirmed at the next meeting of the Authority when the Chairs of the Committees which comprised their membership would, by then, be known.

Councillor R Owens asked whether any progress had been made in asking the Skomer Marine Conservation Zone Advisory Group whether it was possible for the National Park Authority to be represented on it.

Dr M Havard responded that as newly appointed Chair of the Group, she had been going to bring Councillor Owens' suggestion to its Annual Meeting. However due to the Covid-19 lockdown the meeting had been postponed until October. She had discussed the matter with Natural Resources Wales, who provided the secretariat for the Group, and they had responded positively. She therefore intended to raise the matter at the meeting later in the year.



The Administration and Democratic Services Manager advised that if an invitation was received, it would be brought to a meeting of the Authority for consideration.

The Chair noted that formerly the Authority had been represented on the Castell Henllys Steering Group and Ty Canol Woodland Advisory Group, however this was no longer the case. The Administration and Democratic Services Manager agreed to find out if the groups were still in existence.

It was **RESOLVED**:

(a) that the following membership of the National Park Authority, its Committees and Groups be agreed:

NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

All Members

DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

All Members

AUDIT AND CORPORATE SERVICES REVIEW COMMITTEE (6 PCC; 3

WG)

Councillor P Baker Mrs S Hoss

Councillor Mrs D Clements Dr R Heath-Davies

Councillor M James Mr GA Jones

Councillor P Kidney
Councillor R Owens
Councillor M Williams

OPERATIONAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (6 PCC; 3 WG)

Councillor K Doolin

Councillor ML Evans

Councillor P Harries

Dr M Havard

Mrs J James

Dr RM Plummer

Councillor PJ Morgan Councillor A Wilcox Councillor S Yelland

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE (6 PCC; 3 WG)

Councillor Mrs D Clements Dr R Heath-Davies

Councillor ML Evans Mrs J James
Councillor M James Mr GA Jones

Councillor PJ Morgan Councillor A Wilcox Councillor S Yelland



EMPLOYEE FORUM (4 PCC; 2 WG)

Councillor P Harries Mrs S Hoss
Councillor P Kidney Dr RM Plummer

Councillor R Owens Councillor M Williams

CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT GROUP (4 Members)

Chair, National Park Authority

Chair, Audit and Corporate Services Review Committee

Chair, Operational Review Committee

Chair, Development Management Committee

MEMBER SUPPORT AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE (6 PCC; 3

WG)

Councillor Mrs D Clements Mrs S Hoss
Councillor K Doolin Mrs J James
Councillor M James Dr RM Plummer

Councillor P Kidney
Councillor A Wilcox
Councillor M Williams

SDF COMMITTEE (4 PCC; 2 WG)

Councillor K Doolin Dr M Havard
Councillor M James Dr RM Plummer

Councillor M Williams
Councillor S Yelland

STANDARDS COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS PANEL

Chair and Deputy Chair, National Park Authority Chair, Audit and Corporate Services Review Committee Councillor S Yelland One lay Member

(b) that the under-mentioned membership of the Standards Committee be noted:

STANDARDS COMMITTEE (2 PCC; 1 WG plus four Independent

Members)

Councillor PJ Morgan Dr RM Plummer Mr J Daniels
Councillor R Owens Mr P Davies

Ms W Taylor Mrs V Tomlinson

(c) that the following representation on external organisations for 2020/21 be approved:



NATIONAL PARKS UK EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chair, National Park Authority Deputy Chair, National Park

Authority (Substitute)

NATIONAL PARKS WALES

Chair and Deputy Chair, National Park Authority

WELSH LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

COUNCIL

Councillor M James Chair, National Park Authority

(Substitute)

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Chair, National Parks Wales

JOINT COUNCIL FOR WALES

Councillor M Williams Councillor R Owens (Substitute)

PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL FOR WALES

Chair, National Park Authority

CAMPAIGN FOR NATIONAL PARKS (One Member)

Mr O Wyn (Snowdonia for NPW) Dr M Havard (Contact Member)

ALLIANCE FOR NATIONAL PARKS (One Member)

Dr M Havard

CARDIGAN BAY COASTAL GROUP/ADVISORY GROUP

Councillor M James Councillor P Harries (Substitute)

PORT OF MILFORD HAVEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (One Member

plus Substitute)

Councillor R Owens Councillor S Yelland (Substitute)

PEMBROKESHIRE LOCAL ACCESS FORUM (One Member)

Councillor P Harries

SAUNDERSFOOT HARBOUR ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Councillor P Kidney

SOUTH WEST WALES REGIONAL AGGREGATES WORKING PARTY – REGIONAL TECHNICAL STATEMENT MEMBER FORUM (One

Member plus Substitute)

Councillor M James VACANCY (Substitute)



PEMBROKESHIRE COLLEGE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEECouncillor M James

PEMBROKESHIRE COAST NATIONAL PARK TRUST (Two Members)

Councillor P Harries

Dr M Havard

(d) that the composition of the Investigating and Disciplinary Committee, Grievance Committee and Appeals Committee be confirmed at the next meeting once all the Chairs/Deputy Chairs of the various component Committees had been elected;

