

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR FOR THE LOCAL ACCESS FORUM

**1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To inform the Forum regarding the rules and guidance with relation to the election of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Local Access Forum for 2013-2015, and to inform the forum of the candidates for election by the Forum.

**2. SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

- 2.1 Section 6 of the Local Access Forums (England) Regulations 2007 require forum members to elect from amongst their number a chairman and vice-chairman, taking such steps as may be necessary to ensure as far as practicable that they are drawn from members representing different categories of interest.
- 2.2 The terms of reference of the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead Local Access Forum specify that all appointments to the Forum, including the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, shall be two-year appointments.
- 2.3 The appointment of the Forum Chair and Vice-Chair was conducted in 2011 and the forum is therefore obliged to elect a chair and vice-chair for the period 2013-2015.
- 2.4 There are currently two candidates for the Chair and Vice-Chair, as follows:  
Chair: **Peter Thorn – Land Management interests**  
Vice-Chair: **Harry Hancock – User interests**
- 2.5 The election of the chair and vice-chair will be conducted by a vote held at the meeting. If any member is unable to attend the meeting you are invited to submit your preferences to the LAF secretary by 4pm on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2013.
- 2.6 If any member would like to put themselves forward for the role of Chair or Vice-Chair of the Forum, please contact the LAF secretary as soon as possible in order for you to be included in the candidates to be put forward to the Forum on the 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2013.

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