

Decision Notice

Decision No:	LD11
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Subject:	APPOINTMENT OF SANDWICH PORT AND HAVEN COMMISSIONER
Notification Date:	21 February 2022
Implementation Date:	25 February 2022
Decision taken by:	Councillor Trevor Bartlett, Leader of the Council
Authority:	By virtue of Section 9(E) (2) (a) of the Local Government Act 2000
Decision Type:	Executive Non-Key Decision
Call-In to Apply?	Yes (<i>the deadline for call-in will expire at 10.00am on 25 February 2022</i>)
Classification:	Unrestricted

Reason for the Decision:	Following the expiry of the two Dover District Council-appointed commissioners' terms of appointment on 20 February 2022, there is a need to appoint a Member or other person to fill the second commissioner position following the deferral of this decision by Cabinet on 6 December 2021.
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Decision:	That Councillor Oliver Richardson be appointed as the second Dover District Council commissioner for a term of three years with effect from 21 February 2022.
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1. **Consideration and Alternatives** (*if applicable*)

- 1.1 Dover District Council (DDC) is responsible for appointing eight commissioners to the Sandwich Port and Haven Commission every three years, comprising four independent commissioners, two commissioners appointed directly by DDC and two commissioners nominated by Sandwich Town Council. Excluding the Sandwich Town Council commissioners (whose terms of appointment are not due to expire until 13 August 2022), the terms of appointment of the incumbent commissioners expired on 20 February 2022.
- 1.2 At its meeting held on 6 December 2022, Cabinet agreed that the recruitment process for appointing four independent commissioners should be commenced and an interview panel established to conduct interviews (Cabinet decision CAB 65). It also agreed that the appointment of a second DDC commissioner should be deferred in case a suitable candidate was identified through the recruitment process for the independent positions. (At that meeting Mr James Blackmore was re-appointed as one of the DDC commissioners.)
- 1.3 Following the interviews held for the independent commissioner vacancies on 16 February, the Leader of the Council has decided to appoint Councillor Oliver Richardson, Portfolio Holder for Community and Corporate Property, as the second Dover District Council commissioner. (Four suitable candidates were identified for the independent positions which have now been filled.)

2. **Any Conflicts of Interest Declared?**

2.1 None.

3. **Supporting Information** *(as applicable)*

None.