

Appendix 1

Consultative Committee Applications Updated

Organisations are in order of theme and declared Membership numbers according to the Revised Terms of Reference March 2021.

Summary text is taken from organisations website 'about us' or 'vision statement' sections, where possible, or from the organisations stated constitutional aims.

Nature Conservation (three places)		
<i>Conservation groups in Forest, or with wider remit</i>		
London Wildlife Trust	9000 Members. Existing attendee London Wildlife Trust delivers a wide range of programmes, from restoring valuable wild habitats across the capital city, to supporting people from under-represented backgrounds to engage in nature.	Recommend: Appoint
Butterfly Conservation, Cambridgeshire & Essex	1415 Members. New application Butterfly Conservation is the world's largest research institute for butterflies and moths. operating 36 nature reserves and we are leading or involved in 73 landscape-scale projects to conserve habitats.	Recommend: Appoint
Wren Group	286 Members. Existing attendee Wren Wildlife and Conservation Group is a friendly circle of people of all ages and backgrounds, who have an interest in learning about and conserving wildlife. We focus on East London – mainly Wanstead Flats and Park and nearby parts of southern Epping Forest but also surrounding areas and neighbouring parts of Essex.	Recommend: Appoint
Theydon Bois and District Rural Preservation Society	No formal managed membership. No equalities statement. Existing attendee The Theydon Bois and District Rural Preservation Society was founded in 1943 to preserve the rural character of the countryside in and around Theydon Bois as an appropriate and natural complement to Epping Forest, the objectives of the society are: To resist all attempts of encroachment on the Green Belt. To preserve all public footpaths and right-of-way. To do such other things as may be incidental or conducive to the maintenance of local amenities	Recommend: Decline
Suntrap	Not a membership organisation. Since 1967 we've welcomed schools (from early years to A level) families and community groups to explore the natural environment under the guidance of our expert staff.	Recommend: Decline

Friends / Voluntary (three places) <i>Formal working groups e.g. litter pickers groups, 'Friends of' etc.</i>		
Highams Park Planning Group	1181 Members. Existing attendee Voluntary and liaison work centring around development and promotion of the Highams Park Plan.	Recommend: Appoint
Epping Forest Heritage Trust	1056 Members, Existing attendee Epping Forest Heritage Trust was established in April 12, 2018 from the merger of the Friends of Epping Forest (established in 1969) with the Epping Forest Centenary Trust (established in 1978), the Centenary of the Epping Forest Act 1878. Our charitable objects are: To preserve and promote the natural, historical and cultural heritage of Epping Forest and to promote environmental conservation, protection and improvement in Epping Forest; and To advance education by promoting greater knowledge, understanding and appreciation of Epping Forest.	Recommend: Appoint
Friends of Wanstead Parklands	300 Members. Existing attendee Our Mission is to raise public awareness of the history and ecology of Wanstead Park, fund improvements, and campaign for its preservation and enhancement.	Recommend: Appoint
EF Conservation Volunteers	95 Members. Existing attendee Active voluntary group carrying out regular conservation work in Epping Forest.	Recommend: Decision 1
Heritage (two places) <i>Historical societies, rural preservation etc.</i>		
Historic England	372000 Members. New application The official name of Historic England is the Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England. It was first established in 1984 and until 1 April 2015 was commonly known as English Heritage. At that point its common name changed to Historic England and a new charity, officially called the English Heritage Trust, took the name of English Heritage. We are the public body that helps people care for, enjoy and celebrate England's spectacular historic environment. We protect, champion and save the places that define who we are and where we've come from as a nation. We care passionately about the stories they tell, the ideas they represent and the people who live, work and play among them. Working with communities and specialists we share our passion, knowledge and skills to inspire interest, care and conservation, so everyone can keep enjoying and looking after the history that surrounds us all.	Recommend: Appoint

Informal (two places) <i>Schools, Youth groups, families associations, local forums and interest bodies</i>		
Loughton Residents Association	1136 Members, Existing attendee. Registered political party The Loughton Residents Association (LRA) is an independent group of people who want to make Loughton an even better place to live and work. LRA represents a wide range of ideas and concerns. We seek out the views of people in the community and ensure that their voices are heard. LRA makes great efforts to provide a public arena for the residents who care about Loughton.	Recommend: Decision 2
Bushwood Area Residents Association (BARA)	700 Members. Existing attendee BARA is the Bushwood Area Residents' Association. Based in Leytonstone, East London, E11, it was formed way back in 1979 and now has over 500 member households. BARA encourages community spirit, looks after the environment and supports local amenities for the benefit of all our members.	Recommend: Appoint
South Woodford Society	503 Members. New application The South Woodford Society was formed on 19th January 2015 and now consists of over 500 members working together to make South Woodford an even better place to live, work and visit. One of the aims of the Society is to create a Neighbourhood Plan for South Woodford. This is a document that will clearly state what we, as a community, want to see happen in South Woodford. This could include things such as more affordable housing, protecting our green spaces from development and even improving the variety of businesses on George Lane and our other shopping areas. In February 2020 we received official designation from Redbridge Local Council as the South Woodford Neighbourhood Forum.	Recommend: Decision 2
Bedford House Community Association	500 Members. Existing attendee Bedford House is one of the largest self-supporting, independent providers of adult education in Essex and our members come from a wide radius. Our programme of courses and events offers learning and development for adults in health, fitness and wellbeing, and art & craft, as well as in other leisure activities.	Recommend: Decline
Woodford Green Amenity Group	191 Members. New application The Woodford Green Amenity Group is a charity run by and for local people committed to preserving and promoting the amenity of Woodford Green.	Recommend: Decline
Forest Forum	83 Members. Existing attendee	Recommend: Decision 3

	For the promotion of and to further the use of Epping Forest by the Public under the terms of the current Epping Forest act, to keep its natural aspects and local connections preserved. To provide a network for the wider representation of people and groups and to further enable people to express their views and raise awareness of issues regarding the Forest and its surrounding areas. To promote and raise awareness issues deemed worthy by members to the wider public. To assist the aims and support other groups and causes in and around the Epping Forest area. To raise funds and support local causes to the Epping Forest Area.	
Forest Residents Association (FORA) (Leytonstone)	80 Members. New application FORA's key aims and objectives are: *To foster a community spirit and promote co-operation among members on matters of common interest *To protect the heritage and improve the natural and built environment in and around our area *To protect and improve the general amenities, welfare, and environmental and communal rights of all members	Recommend: Decline
Waltham Forest Open Water Swimmers	70 Members. New application. No equalities policy A community of wild swimmers who live in and around Walthamstow. This forum exists to help us coordinate swimming meets and generate pre-swimming motivation. We take inspiration from the Outdoor Swimming Society, who have a wealth of guidance and advice on their website	Recommend: Decline
3rd Theydon Bois (St. Mary's) Brownie Pack	24 Members. New application. Theydon Bois Brownie youth group, part of the Girl Guiding network	Recommend: Decline
The Diocese of Chelmsford	No formal membership. New application. Local representation of Church of England, including parishioners and heritage buildings.	Recommend: Decline
Epping Forest District Council, Lifewalks and Cycling For Health Groups, Theydon Bois Parish Council and Epping Town Council	Ineligible to apply under paragraph 19 of Terms of Reference but may instead be involved through Local Authority Liaison Meetings.	Recommend: Decline
Recreation (three places) <i>Recreational user groups – e.g. walkers, riders, cyclists</i>		

West Essex Ramblers	608 Members. New application Our groups help local people enjoy walking and protect the places we all love to walk. Most groups organise regular walks led by local experts	Recommend: Appoint
Epping Forest Riders Association	200 Members. Existing attendee EFRA works tirelessly on behalf of horse riders in Epping Forest. We lobby the City of London to keep all tracks, rides and bridleways in good condition and to get better provisions for horse riders.	Recommend: Appoint
Epping Forest Transport Action Group	40 Members. New application Application on basis of recreational cycling representation. EFTAG are campaigning for better transport in our local area, which improves our quality of life, protects the environment and supports an efficient economy. In particular, we are working towards: Bus coverage between all main towns in the district from early morning until late evening, with tickets for whole journeys, transferable between operators An integrated cycle network that offers safe space for cycling, including off-road routes connecting town centres, transport hubs, and schools/colleges All development being people-friendly, with speed limits of 20mph in all residential neighbourhoods The prioritising of bus, cycling and pedestrian infrastructure when considering planning applications.	Recommend: Appoint
Sports (three places) <i>Formal organised sports on Forest e.g. Golf, Football, cricket running etc.</i>		
Orion Harriers	800 Members, Existing attendee We are a friendly running club, established in 1911, suitable for all ages and all abilities, based in North Chingford, on the doorstep of Epping Forest. We have a membership of over 400 senior runners, comprising of women and men aged from 18 - 80, plus a vibrant junior section with 300+ members	Recommend: Appoint
Lee Valley Youth Cycling Club	300 Members. New application LVYCC caters for riders aged 6-16 years. We run a wide range of activities from serious training for champions through to riding for fun	Recommend: Decision 4
Royal Epping Forest Golf Club	150 Members. Existing attendee. A private club operating on a public 18-hole golf course (Chingford) in Epping Forest. The first golf club to be established in Essex and the only one to bear the Royal title.	Recommend: Appoint

Heales Cycle Club	<p>150 Members. New application</p> <p>Heales Cycles was established way back in 1936. For nearing 100 years we've been active locally, engaging with the local schools, businesses and residents. We are more than just a bike shop. We are a community.</p> <p>Being a part of the Heales Cycles community is a great way to get fit, make new friends and learn new skills.</p> <p>We also offer led-rides and you will often see us a local community events.</p>	Recommend: Decision 4
Roding Valley Triathlon Club	<p>70 Members. New application</p> <p>Roding Valley Tri Club is based in Essex with members covering Essex, Hertfordshire and London. We are a friendly club and encourage participation from complete beginners to GB Age Groupers. Our aim is to encourage and nurture members through high quality coaching, a supportive membership and plenty of fun.</p>	Recommend: Decline
Chigwell & Epping Forest Orienteering Club	<p>38 Members. New application</p> <p>We are a small and friendly orienteering club covering the M11 corridor: NE London and SW Essex. We welcome new members of any age and ability</p>	Recommend: Decline
East London Velo	<p>36 Members. New application</p> <p>About Us</p> <p>East London Velo is a small club of around 35 people and we're always up for meeting new racing team mates and people to ride with.</p> <p>We're proud of our involvement with the local race scene and that we race a lot of the local crits, road races, track, MTB and cross, as well as fun stuff further afield. We organise a crit series and a road race and the club is part of the Eastern Road Racing League. We're keen to welcome anyone looking to give racing – or a different club – a go.</p>	Recommend: Decision 4
Newham Cyclists	<p>130 Members. New application. Did not respond to request for further information.</p> <p>We are the Newham Cyclists. We look after cyclists' interests by organising and advertising regular rides and campaigning in cycling issues in the borough. We want to see cycle facilities at least as good as neighbouring boroughs and we believe that becoming a cycling borough will help make Newham and excellent place to live.</p>	Recommend: Decision 4
Chingford Golf Club	<p>No membership details or constitution provided.</p>	