

## Appointment of Presiding Member if Chair and Deputy Chair are Absent

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<b>Name of Committee</b>	National Park Authority
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<b>Report Author</b>	Legal & Democratic Services
<b>Item 3</b>	For Decision
<b>Public Interest Test</b>	Not Applicable

### **Recommendation: It is recommended the Authority:**

- 1. Adjourns the consideration of this item until the next meeting of the Authority on 29 July 2022**

#### **1. Introduction**

- 1.1. Standing Orders provide at an AGM of the Authority, Members must consider the appointment of a presiding Member if the Chair and Deputy Chair are absent.
- 1.2. The order of business for the consideration of this item at the AGM is set out in Standing Orders and cannot be displaced.

#### **2. Issues for consideration**

- 2.1. Senior Member positions within the Authority will not be determined until later in the meeting and Members may wish to be aware of their commitments to the Authority before self-nominating as presiding Member.
- 2.2. Where the Chair is absent from Authority business, or at any meeting of the Authority or its Committees, the Deputy Chair would preside. Where the Deputy Chair is also absent, Members have the power to nominate and appoint a Chair for that meeting.
- 2.3. Standing Orders were last reviewed and revised in their entirety in 2015. The Authority adopted a new Scheme of Delegation this year and has agreed to embark on a review of essential documents including Standing Orders.
- 2.4. Therefore, Members are asked to adjourn the consideration of this item until the next meeting to enable Members to be aware of their commitments to the Authority. In any event the Authority has the power to appoint a Chair/Deputy Chair should the situation arise.

**3. Equality And Diversity Implications**

3.1. None

**4. Legal Implications**

4.1. None other than set out in this report

**5. Financial implications**

5.1. None