

AGENDA FOR SPARSE RURAL AND RURAL SERVICE NETWORK EXECUTIVE AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE RURAL SERVICES PARTNERSHIP LTD MEETING

Venue:- Millbank, LGA, Smith Square, London. SW1 Date: Monday 20th June 2016 Time: 11.30am to 2.30pm

1. Apologies for Absence

Notes of the Previous Meeting Held on Monday 18th January 2016 to consider any relevant items. Attachment 1

3. Notes of the Main Meetings

Held on 11^{th} April 2016 to consider any relevant items. Attachments 2(a) & 2(b)

4. Main Gas Supply Networks in Rural Areas Cllr Rosemary Doyle (Canterbury) to attend.

5. Vice Chairs:

Extract from Previous Minutes:-

Members noted the list of Vice Chairs, and raised concerns that representation from the south east and south west should also be considered.

Action: Eligible existing Vice-Chairs be re-appointed and there be the creation of 2 additional vacancies for Vice-Chairs to address geographical issues with the appointments thereto being made at the next meeting.

There is also a vacancy for a Vice Chair representative of Unitary Councils following the death of Cllr Roger Begy.

6. To consider the attached revised statement as to the Financial Representational Service

Attachment 3

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7. Pixel Financial Management Reports

(1) on Business Rates as discussed at the Main Meeting on 11^{th} April and 4 Briefing Notes in respect thereof (Attachments 4 (a) – (e))

(2) Short Briefing Note on Needs Review (Attachment 5)

(3) Authorities which need top-up under the existing system – Verbal report by Graham Biggs

8. LG Futures Reports

- (1) Costs Drivers of Sparsity (Attachment 6)
- (2) The Value of Sparsity and Density (Attachment 7 & 7(a))
- (3) RSDG Distribution Methodology Verbal Report by Graham Biggs

9. DCLG/LGA Steering Group and Needs Assessment Working Group Graham Biggs to Report

10. Rural Fair Share Campaign Group of MPs.

Graham Biggs to report on discussions with Graham Stuart.

11. Working with the DCN & CCN.

Graham Biggs to report

12. Budget Report 2015/2016 and 2016/2017

Attachment 8

13. To agree a date for a "Blue Skies" Meeting

14. Rural England C.I.C. Update. Verbal Report

15. Rural Health Network – Report to Follow

16. Rural Conference 2016

Graham Biggs to update on the Rural Conference 2016 (Attachment 9)

17. Any other business

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