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| Report to | Mousehold Heath Conservators | Item 7 |
| | 20 September 2019 | |
| Report of | Parks and open spaces manager | |
| Subject | 9 th World Ranger Congress, Nepal 11 – 15 November 2019 | |

Purpose

To report the attendance of a Mousehold warden representing the Mousehold Heath Conservators, Norwich City Council and the Countryside Management Association at the 9 World Ranger Congress to be held in Nepal on 11 – 15 November 2019.

Recommendation

To note the content of the report.

Corporate and service priorities

The report helps to meet the corporate priority Great neighbourhoods, housing and environment

Financial implications

There will be no financial implications. The costs for travel and accommodation will be met by the Countryside Management Association.

Ward/s: Catton Grove and Crome

Cabinet member: Councillor Packer - Health and wellbeing

Contact officers

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William Stewart – Mousehold Heath warden 01603 213310

Background documents

None

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1. Mousehold warden, William Stewart is a member of the Countryside Management Association (CMA), the largest organisation supporting the work of conservation, access and recreation professionals in the natural greenspace and countryside sector throughout England, Wales and Northern Ireland.
2. The aims of the CMA are to:
 - a) Support the development of staff, students and volunteers involved in the management, interpretation, and public enjoyment of natural greenspace and the countryside through networking, training and continuing professional development.
 - b) Promote the value and importance of professionally managed natural greenspace and the countryside to the general public, the government and other organisations.
 - c) Influence the organisations involved in the management of natural greenspace and countryside by providing information and authoritative comment.
 - d) Champion the staff, students and volunteers involved in the management, interpretation, and access to natural greenspace and the countryside.
3. On 30 January – 2 February 2019 Will attended the European Federation supported Portuguese National Meeting of Park Rangers at Terceira island in the Azores. Will was representing the Mousehold Conservators, Norwich City Council and the CMA. All costs for travel and accommodation were funded by the Portuguese Association of Park Rangers.
4. At the conference Will made a presentation to European colleagues on the work of the Mousehold Conservators and the CMA.
5. Following the conference Will made a presentation about the event to the conservators at committee on 15 March 2019. Attendance at the European conference not only enabled Will to be able to make people aware of Mousehold Heath and the work of the conservators and the CMA but, it also helped with his continuing professional development. Will felt the conference helped him develop his self-confidence, develop new contacts and feel inspired about his work on the heath and the work of rangers across Europe.

Report

6. The World Ranger Congress is being held at Sauraha on the border of the Chitwan National Park in Nepal on 11 – 15 November 2019 and Will has been asked by the CMA if he would attend the conference.
7. The flight and accommodation costs of attending the conference are being funded by the CMA.

8. Once again attendance at the conference will benefit Will's continuing professional development, broaden his network of contact and provide new knowledge and experience that will benefit his work on the heath. The days associated with attending the conference will be viewed as normal working days.
9. The conference will also provide an opportunity for Will to raise awareness of Mousehold Heath and the work of the conservators with rangers from across the world.
10. On returning from the conference a presentation will be given to committee about the conference, the professional development benefits of attending and any learning appropriate to the work of the conservators.

Integrated impact assessment



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City Council

Report author to complete

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| Committee: | Mousehold Heath Conservators |
| Committee date: | 20 September 2019 |
| Director / Head of service | Director of Neighbourhoods |
| Report subject: | 9 th World Ranger Congress, Nepal 11 – 15 November 2019 |
| Date assessed: | 9 September 2019 |

| | Impact | | | |
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| Economic (please add an 'x' as appropriate) | Neutral | Positive | Negative | Comments |
| Finance (value for money) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Other departments and services e.g. office facilities, customer contact | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| ICT services | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Economic development | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Financial inclusion | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
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| Social (please add an 'x' as appropriate) | Neutral | Positive | Negative | Comments |
| Safeguarding children and adults | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| <u>S17 crime and disorder act 1998</u> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Human Rights Act 1998 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Health and well being | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Equality and diversity (please add an 'x' as appropriate) | Neutral | Positive | Negative | Comments |
| Relations between groups (cohesion) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |

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| Eliminating discrimination & harassment | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Advancing equality of opportunity | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Environmental (please add an 'x' as appropriate) | Neutral | Positive | Negative | Comments |
| Transportation | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Natural and built environment | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Waste minimisation & resource use | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Pollution | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Marked as neutral as the flight will depart regardless of Will being on it or not. Will is however. Personally offsetting his carbon footprint for the flight. |
| Sustainable procurement | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Energy and climate change | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Marked as neutral as the flight will depart regardless of Will being on it or not. Will is however. Personally offsetting his carbon footprint for the flight. |
| (Please add an 'x' as appropriate) | Neutral | Positive | Negative | Comments |
| Risk management | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | |

| Recommendations from impact assessment | |
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