

Cllr Robin Ashcroft

Outside Bodies 2021-22

Bowness and Windermere Forward Public-private sector partnership – currently in suspended animation.

Council of Grizedale Arts Ex Officio Trustee and attend on a quarterly basis (or as required). Successful community arts trust, pioneering innovative solutions around sustainable rural economy. Recently acquired and opened The Farmer's Arms (Crake Valley) as a Rural Art and Creative Hub. A Strategic Cultural Partner.

Cumbria Better Connected. MP lead transport panel. Attend on an ad-hoc basis.

Cumbria Community Foundation. Excellent and pro-active trust distributing funds on behalf of a number of charities throughout Cumbria. As it falls outside remit of my portfolio it was thought – for better of time – it by handled by another member (Cllr Phillip Dixon).

Cumbria Tourism. Major driver for SL economy. Attend board in an observer capacity on a monthly basis with additional meetings required.

Furness Economic Development Forum. Now wound up.

George Moore Education Trust. Appointed as trustee with single function to enable transfer of funds.

Kendal BID. Business Improvement District – tactical public-private sectors partnership. Either officers or myself attend meetings on a monthly basis (I mostly attend quarterly or when invited to address specific issues). Some recent changes to personnel, but am happy with progress. SLDC is a levy payer and collects levy on behalf of BID.

Kendal Brewery Arts Centre. Important cultural and creative asset for the whole of South Lakeland. Attend monthly board meetings of trust in an ex-officio capacity. A Strategic Cultural Partner.

Kendal Futures Board. Strategic public-private sector partnership. Joint working on the their Vision and SLDC's Kendal Town Centre Strategy. Attend board meetings on a monthly basis with sign off responsibility on Vision funding.

Lake District National Park Business Task Force. LDNPA led group – attend on an ad-hoc basis.

Local Enterprise Partnership Management Board. One of two district council members of board. Typically attend up to two meetings a month.

Lancaster and South Cumbria Joint Committee. Body managing Morecambe Pay Functioning Economic Region project. Currently in suspended animation due to LGR.

Morecambe Bay Partnership. Not on board, but liaise with CEO on a regular basis.

Sedbergh Economic Partnership. Private-public sector partnership. Recent engagement for SLDC either officers or myself attend on a monthly basis.