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## Policy & Finance Committee

**Date:** 28 February 2022

**Title:** Town Council Memberships

**Purpose of the Report:**

To review the Council's and/or employees' memberships of other bodies

**Contact Officer:**

Clare Cummins, Finance Officer

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<b>Corporate Objective/s</b>	LLTC Five Year Plan – Objectives 1	
<b>Implications:</b>		
<b>Financial</b>	Yes	Within existing budget
<b>Human Resources</b>	No	
<b>Operational/Service delivery</b>	No	
<b>Procedural/Legal</b>	No	
<b>Risk/Health and Safety</b>	No	
<b>Environmental Aims</b>	No	

### 1 RECOMMENDATION/S

Should the Committee be minded, the proposals are:

- 1.1 To note the Town Council
- 1.2 To note the Town Council's and/or employees' memberships of other bodies.

### 2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Town Council's and/or employees' memberships of other bodies were last reviewed by the Committee on 22 February 2021 and are due to be reviewed on an annual basis.
- 2.2 The current memberships are as detailed below:

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Annual membership fee</b>
Bedfordshire/National Association of Town and Parish Councils	£2,101
Society of Local Council Clerks	£900
Institute of Cemetery and Crematorium Management	£95
Campaign for the Protection of Rural England	£36
Fields in Trust	£65
The Information Commissioner (data protection registration)	£55
NABMA (National Association of British Market Authorities)	£369
Royal Town Planning Institute	£321
Arboricultural Association	£198
National Association of Local Councils	£90
Bedford/Bletchley Railway Association	£5

- 2.3 The Committee is asked to note that budget line 4326/12 (Subscriptions) has been increased for financial year 2022-23 to allow for a second membership of the Society of Local Council Clerks for the Deputy Town Clerk.