

## **GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

**31 May 2018**

**Subject Heading:**

**APPOINTMENTS TO OTHER  
ORGANISATIONS, 2018/19**

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**Policy context:**

The Council appoints Members and  
others to serve on a variety of other  
bodies

**Financial summary:**

There are no significant financial  
implications.

**The subject matter of this report deals with the following Council  
Objectives**

Communities making Havering	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Places making Havering	<input type="checkbox"/>
Opportunities making Havering	<input type="checkbox"/>
Connections making Havering	<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>SUMMARY</b>
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The Council makes appointments to a large number of other organisations, some statutory, others voluntary.

Since the new executive governance arrangements came into force, responsibility for making some appointments has passed from this Committee to the Leader of the Council but the Constitution provides that it is for this Committee to make recommendations to the Leader.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

That:

- 1 (a) The Committee determine appointments to the organisations referred to in this report for the period until the meeting that deals with appointments for the municipal year, 2019/20 (or such other period as may be relevant in any specific case).
- (b) Where the appointment is executive, the Committee **RECOMMEND** to the Leader that the appointment be made.
- 2 Where the Council's representative (or any deputy or alternative representative where applicable) is unable to attend a particular meeting and the constitutional arrangements of the body in question so permit, that representative may mandate the Chair of the meeting to exercise a proxy vote.
- 3 The Council's voting rights at the General Assembly of the Local Government Association be exercised by the Leader of the Council (4 votes) and the Leader of the Opposition(1 vote) (or their respective nominees in the event either is unable to vote in person).

## REPORT DETAIL

- 1.1 The Committee is authorised to make all appointments to other organisations (other than executive appointments, which are made by the Leader). Appointments are for the period expiring at the first meeting of this Committee in the municipal year 2019/20 (probably during the last week of May 2019), except where otherwise specifically provided.
- 1.2 **Appendix 1** Executive appointments. **The Committee is asked to review the appointments and to make recommendations to the Leader.**
- 1.3 **Appendix 2** lists the appointments made by office-held and by individual member, but are not executive. The number of appointees required for each organisation is indicated in brackets. **The Committee is asked to review these appointments and agree what changes are to be made.**
- 1.4 Appointments that do not require review or renewal for the present are shown in italics. **The Committee is asked to note these appointments.**

**2. Exercise of voting rights:**

- 2.1 In some cases, the constitution of an organisation permits the casting of proxy votes if the appointed representative is unable to attend a meeting.
- 2.2 In order to avoid a possible loss of influence, it is the Council's usual practice to agree that, where the Council's representative (or any deputy or alternative representative where applicable) is unable to attend a particular meeting and the constitutional arrangements of the body in question so permit, that representative may mandate the Chair of the meeting to exercise a proxy vote.
- 2.3 **The Committee is asked to agree to that practice continuing for the coming year.**
- 2.4 The Council is entitled to 5 votes in the General Assembly of the Local Government Association. Previously, the Leader of the Council and the Leader of the Opposition were allocated 4 votes and 1 vote each respectively.
- 2.5 **The Committee is asked to confirm that this arrangement should continue.**

**3. Wennington Quarry Community Liaison Committee**

- 3.1 The Council has been invited to appoint an Elected Member to act as Chairperson to the Wennington Quarry Community Liaison Committee. The full Terms of Reference are attached at the end of this report as Appendix 3. The committee has been established for the purpose of maintaining a good neighbour liaison during the development, operation and restoration of Wennington Quarry. It is intended that this committee will provide a forum for the local community to inform and discuss the development and operations at Wennington Quarry including any effect on the environment and local people living or working nearby.
- 3.2 It is expected that the Liaison Committee will meet at least twice a year (more frequently if circumstances require) and the appointment will be for a period of four years until May 2022
- 3.3 To avoid any possible conflict of interest, it is requested that the Chairperson be a non-Ward Member.

**4. Organisations No Longer Requiring Appointment**

The Orchard Village Neighbourhood Management Board ceased to exist on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2017 and no longer requires appointments to be made.

<b>IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS</b>
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**Equalities and Social Inclusion Implications and Risks**

There are no specific implications or risks. Appointments should be made with the Council's equalities policies in mind.

**Legal, Finance and Environmental Implications and Risks**

These appointments are administrative and have no direct legal, financial or environmental implications or risks. In some cases, membership of an organisation is dependent upon the Council paying a subscription: where relevant, the subscription will be met from within an appropriate budget provision.

**BACKGROUND PAPERS**

None