



GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

REPORT

2 June 2011

Subject Heading:	APPOINTMENTS TO OTHER ORGANISATIONS, 2011/12
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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

Clean, safe and green borough	[x]
Excellence in education and learning	[x]
Opportunities for all through economic, social and cultural activity	[x]
Value and enhance the life of every individual	[x]
High customer satisfaction and a stable council tax	[x]

SUMMARY

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, 2012/13 (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 Councillor Michael White (4 votes) and Councillor Clarence Barrett (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). Except where otherwise specifically provided, appointments are for the period expiring at the first meeting of this Committee in the municipal year 2012/13 (probably during the last week of May 2012).

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- 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 Committee is asked to review these appointments and either confirm them or agree what changes are to be made.**
- 1.4 Appointments that do not require review or renewal for the present are highlighted. **The Committee is asked to note these appointments.**

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 Leaders of the Council and 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.**

Adoption Panel:

- 3.1 The Fostering and Adoption Regulations changed with effect from 1 April 2011. Panel membership now allows for a central list of members that can serve both the Adoption Panel and the Carers Panel. A full report outlining the changes to the regulations and the implications for Havering will be put before Governance Committee on 5 July 2011.

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3.2 The current membership is:

Panel Member	Status	Date eligibility to serve ends
Vacancy	Independent Member; Chair	June 2017
Leroy Harry	Independent Member; Vice Chair	February 2018
Lynne Adams	Social Worker	December 2015
Carole Balfe	Social Worker	March 2018
Councillor Georgina Galpin	Authority Member	December 2017
Vacancy	Independent Member	December 2015
Tony Ferguson	Independent Member	December 2015
Betty Haltham	Independent Member	December 2015
Beryl Thornton	Independent Member	December 2011

3.3 **The Committee is asked to note the current membership until such time as the new arrangements are approved.**

Carers Panel:

4.1 The Carers Panel is similarly subject to the changes brought in by the *Fostering and Adoption Regulations* introduced in April 2011 and will be the subject of a full report to Governance Committee on 5 July 2011.

4.2 The membership of the Panel is currently as follows:

Alan Johnstone - Panel Chair - Independent
Carol Balfe - Social Work Member - Fostering Experience
Marie Pudney - Health Representative
Wendy Johnson - Social Work Member - Child Care Experience
Floyd Powell - Independent Member
Trevor Sim - Education Representative
Vacancy - Independent Member - foster parent
Dr. Saminathan - Independent Member
Joyce Adelakun - Independent Member

4.3 **The Committee is asked to note the current membership until such time as the new arrangements are approved.**

London Councils:

- 5.1 The arrangements for appointment to the following remain unchanged from last year (the Executive is not directly appointed by the boroughs, nominations to it come from the party groups).

Committees

- Leaders
- Transport and Environment
- Grants
- Greater London Provincial Council

Forums:

- Greater London Employment Forum

All formal London Councils committee or forum meetings are held during the day on weekdays.

- 5.2 Councils are advised to appoint deputies who have some knowledge of the policy area concerned and can be kept informed of a member body's activities and act as a substitute if a principal nominee cannot attend.

- 5.3 The following forums have been discontinued in terms of formal regular meetings:

- Children and Young People
- Economic Development
- Crime and Public Protection
- Culture, Tourism and London 2012
- Health and Adult Services and
- Housing

However, London Councils will be advised of the lead members in these policy areas in order to consult from time to time on matters of major importance.

Groundwork East:

- 6.1 The Groundwork London Board agreed to establish a committee to review the governance of Groundwork London in September 2010. The Sub Regional Committees (SRC), upon which Havering had formerly been represented were replaced by a single cross-London Local Authority Strategic Input Board.

Local Authorities which currently have a formal relationship with Groundwork or are part of an agreed Trust programme will be invited to nominate one elected member to the Local Authority Strategic Input Board. However, it was decided that as part of the cost saving measures, Havering was not in a position to fund this offer or enter into a formal relationship with the Groundwork Trust, so membership of the organisation has now ceased.

Havering College of Adult Education:

- 7.1 Over the course of time, changes to the planning and funding regimes and powers introduced under the constitution of the Council have seen a considerable reduction in the duties and roles previously exercised by the Governing Body. The diminished role led to inquorate meetings and so it seemed appropriate to undertake a review as part of the Council's Transformation Programme. In March 2011, it was thus agreed to abolish the Governing Body and Member representation is no longer required. It is likely that a Lead Accountable Body will be established in due course to co-ordinate the provision of adult learning by all public and private within the area. Representation on the body would include both providers and learners.

Havering College of Further and Higher Education:

- 8.1 Since the incorporation of the College, it is no longer a requirement under the Instrument and Articles of Government for the Local Authority to appoint Councillors as members of the Board. Both Councillor Paul Rochford and Councillor Geoff Starns are Governors in their own right.

Local Government Information Unit:

- 9.1 In July 2010, Cabinet identified several savings measures and agreed to terminate the subscription to the Local Government Information Unit. The Council's membership ceased on 31 December 2010 and therefore appointment is no longer required.

Thames Chase:

- 10.1 A report went to Cabinet on 23 March 2011 that the Agreement between members of the former Thames Chase Joint Committee expired on 31 March 2010 and had not been renewed, and that Essex Council, as lead Authority, was in the process of winding up the affairs of the Joint Committee including proposals for dealing with outstanding assets and liabilities which Cabinet agreed on behalf of Havering.

As the Joint Committee has ceased to exist, Havering is no longer required to make nominations as part of the annual appointments to outside bodies.

IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

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

A number of files is held by Democratic Services which provide information on the organisations to which appointments are being made.

APPENDIX 1

ORGANISATION AND NUMBER OF APPOINTEES	EXECUTIVE MEMBER APPOINTMENTS	
CEME (Centre for Engineering & Manufacturing Excellence) - 1	Group Director, Finance & Commerce	
Connexions	Cabinet Member – Children & Learning (Manager of Youth Services – alternate director)	
East London Waste Authority - 2	Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member – Environment	
Futures Charitable Trust (from January 2012)		
Greater London Enterprise Limited -1	Cabinet Member– Community Empowerment	
IWMS Contract Liaison Committee - 1	Deputy Leader of the Council	
Local Government Information Unit	Cabinet Member Value	
London Councils (Leaders' Committee)	Representative (1): Leader of the Council	
Transport & Environment Committee	Deputy: (1) Deputy Leader of the Council Representative (1): Cabinet Member - Environment	
	Deputies (up to 4): Deputy Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member – Community Empowerment, Cabinet Member – Value	

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Grants Committee	Representative (1): Cabinet Member – Value Deputy (up to 4): Deputy Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member – Towns & Communities & Cabinet Member-Transformation
Greater London Employment Forum	Representative: Cabinet Member – Value Deputy Representative: Deputy Leader of the Council
Crime and Public Protection Forum - 1	Cabinet Member – Community Safety
Children, Young People & Families Forum – 1	Cabinet Member – Children & Learning
Culture , Tourism & 2012 Panel - 1	Cabinet Member – Towns & Communities
Economic Development - 1	Cabinet Member-Transformation
Health and Adult Services Forum -1	Cabinet Member -Individuals
Thames Gateway London Partnership	Leader of the Council

APPENDIX 2

ORGANISATION AND NUMBER OF APPOINTEES	MEMBER APPOINTED (Non Executive Appointments)	
Adoption Panel	Councillor Georgina Galpin, vacancy (Chairman), Leroy Harry, Dr Haq, Carole Balfe Tess Blight , Betty Haltham, Tony Ferguson, Lynn Adams and Beryl Thornton	
Age Concern : Havering (Havering Old People's Welfare Association Council) - 2	Cabinet Member – Individuals and Councillor June Alexander	
Carers Panel	Alan Johnstone (Chairman), Carol Balfe, Marie Pudney, Wendy Johnson, Floyd Powell, vacancy, Councillor Wendy Brice-Thompson, Dr Saminathan, Trevor Sim and Joyce Adalakun	
Coopers Company & Coborn Educational Foundation	Councillor Linda van den Hende	
Damyns Hall Aerodrome Joint Consultative Committee	Cabinet Member for Community Empowerment and Councillor Linda van den Hende	
Draper's Academy	Councillor Geoff Starns	
Essex Wildlife Trust (Bedfords Park Management Committee)	Councillor Billy Taylor	

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Cabinet Member – Children & Learning, Councillor Wendy Brice-Thompson and Councillor Gillian Ford

Groundwork Trust

Councillor Michael Armstrong

Havering Admissions Forum - 2

Cabinet Member – Children & Learning and Councillor Sandra Binion.

Havering Arts Council - 5

Cabinet Member- Towns & Communities, Councillors Rebecca Bennett, Garry Pain, Linda Hawthorn and Barbara Matthews.

Havering Association for People with Disabilities - 2

Councillors Steven Kelly and Councillor Nic Dodin

Havering Bands and Majorettes Association - Executive Committee - 3

Councillors Andrew Curtin, Osman Dervish and Linda Hawthorn

Havering & Brentwood Bereavement Service - 1

Councillor Dennis Bull

Havering Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Leader of the Council

Havering Children's Trust

Cabinet Member – Children & Learning

Havering College of Adult Education -5

Cabinet Member – Children & Learning, Councillors Sandra Binion, Lynden Thorpe, John Mylod and Gillian Ford.

Havering College of Further & Higher Education

Councillors Paul Rochford and Geoffrey Starns

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Havering Community Safety Partnership – 2	Cabinet Member– Community Safety and the Assistant Chief Executive, Legal and Democratic Services
Havering Joint Forum - 6	Leader of the Council, Deputy Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member – Value, Cabinet Member- Transformation, Leader of the Opposition Group and Councillor Linda van den Hende
Havering Local Strategic Partnership - 3	Leader of the Council, Deputy Leader of the Council and Leader of the Opposition
Havering Police and Community Consultative Group - 9 appointed by Council 20 th October 2010	Cabinet Member- Community Safety and Councillors Roger Evans (Elm Park & Hylands); Paul Rochford (Emerson Park & Harold Wood); Lynden Thorpe (Gidea Park); Denis O’Flynn (Harold Hill); Nic Dodin (Hornchurch); Billy Taylor (North Romford); Fred Osborne (Romford); Michael Deon Burton (South Hornchurch & Rainham); Gillian Ford (Upminster)
Havering Sports Council - 5	Cabinet Member – Towns & Communities , Cabinet Member – Community Empowerment, Councillors Osman Dervish, John Mylod and Denis Breeding.
Havering Sixth Form College	Cabinet Member – Children & Learning (till July 2014) Councillor Steven Kelly (till July 2013)
Havering Theatre Trust - 3	Cabinet Member - Value, Cabinet Member – Transformation and Councillor Gillian Ford.
Havering Twinning Educational Association	Councillor Melvin Wallace
Havering Youth Inclusion & Support Panel	Councillor Wendy Brice-Thompson and Councillor Linda Trew (Deputy)

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Homes in Havering (Housing ALMO Board)	Councillors Steven Kelly, Jeff Brace, Billy Taylor and June Alexander
Hornchurch Housing Trust (Nomination Trustees) - 6	Mr Ray Emmett and Mr David Williams (until February 2015) Mr Chris Oliver and Councillor Eric Munday (until February 2013) Mr Ivor Cameron and Mrs Peggy Munday (until February 2014)
Lee Valley Regional Park Authority (indirect appointment via nomination to London Councils)	Councillor Andrew Curtin (until June 2013)
London Accident Prevention Council	Councillors Fred Osborne and John Mylod
London Councils, London Caribbean	Councillor Andrew Curtin
Local Government Association General Assembly - 4	Leader of the Council, Deputy Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member, Value and Leader of the Opposition
Local Government Association Tourism Forum - 1	Cabinet Member – Towns & Communities
Local Government Association Urban Commission- 1	Cabinet Member – Community Empowerment
London Home & Water Safety Council	Councillors Fred Osborne
London Youth Games-1	Cabinet Member – Towns & Communities
Lucas Children's Play Charity Nominative Trustees – 2	Councillors Andrew Curtin and Councillor Linda Hawthorn (appointed till 2011)

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Management Committee of the Tuition Service	Cabinet Member – Children & Learning
North East London NHS Foundation - 1	Cabinet Member – Individuals
Orchard Village Neighbourhood Management Board	Cabinet Member- Housing, Cabinet Member-Community Empowerment, Rebecca Bennett and Denis Breading
Partnerships in Parking - 1	Cabinet Member – Environment
Poyntz (a.k.a. Richard Poyntz's) and other charities	Councillor June Alexander (until March 2012)
Relate North East	Councillors Keith Wells and Brian Eagling
Reserve Forces & Cadets Association	Councillor Ted Eden
Romford Town Centre Partnership	Leader of the Council, Cabinet Member – Community Empowerment (Deputy) and Chief Executive
Romford Combined Charity <u>Nominative Trustees</u> - 2	Councillor Michael Armstrong, Councillor Andrew Curtin and (until 3.11.14) Wilf Mills (until 3.11.12) Councillor Osman Dervish (until 25.10.11)
Second Chance Theatre for the People	Councillor Andrew Curtin
Standing Advisory Council for Religious Education (SACRE) - 5	Cabinet Member- Children & Learning, Councillors Wendy Brice-Thompson (observer), Damian White, Linda Trew, Gillian Ford and Paul McGeary
Tenant Management Organisations	BETRA (Gooshays) – Councillor Dennis Bull DELTA (Squirrels Heath) – Councillor Lynden Thorpe PETRA (St Andrews) – Councillor Garry Pain

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Thames Chase Joint Committee	Councillors Robert Benham, Eric Munday and Ron Ower
Thames Regional Flood Defence Committee- 1	Cabinet Member – Environment (until November 2014)
Upminster Windmill Preservation Trust	Councillor Linda Hawthorn
Veolia ES Cleanaway Havering Riverside Trust - 1	Cabinet Member – Transformation
Veolia ES Cleanaway - Maintenance Trust	Cabinet Member – Transformation