



**Havering**  
LONDON BOROUGH

**GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**  
**21 March 2024**

**Subject Heading:**

**APPOINTMENTS TO OTHER  
ORGANISATIONS, 2023/24**

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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**

[x] People - Things that matter for residents

[x] Place - A great place to live, work and enjoy

[x] Resources - A well run Council that delivers for People and Place.

**SUMMARY**

The Council makes appointments to a large number of other organisations, some statutory, others voluntary.

Since the executive governance arrangements were revised, responsibility for making Executive appointments has passed from this Committee to the Leader of the Council, but the Constitution provides that in the case of Non-Executive appointments, it is for this Committee to make decisions

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Committee **AGREE to APPOINT:**

1. A representative to the NELFT NHS Council of Governors
2. Councillor Sarah Edwards to the vacancy on Wennington Quarry Community Liaison Committee until May 2026.

**REPORT DETAIL**

**1. NORTH EAST LONDON FOUNDATION TRUST BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

- 1.1 It is a statutory requirement that all Foundation Trusts have a Council of Governors to ensure that decisions are made in the best interest of the local population.
- 1.2 The Constitution of the Foundation Trust makes provision for a seat on the Council of Governors for Havering Local Authority and in September 2023, Councillor Gillian Ford, the Cabinet Member for Adults and Wellbeing, was nominated to the Council of Governors for a period of three years until July 2026.
- 1.3 On account of competing workload commitments, Councillor Ford resigned from this position in January 2024 and a vacancy has now arisen.
- 1.4 The Committee is asked to note that this appointment was formerly on the list of Executive Appointments which can be made by the Leader. However, with the agreement of the Leader and the Chief Executive, and in order to maximise opportunity for all Members, the position has been moved to the list of Non executive appointments which are for this Committee to determine.

**2. WENNINGTON QUARRY COMMUNITY LIAISON COMMITTEE**

- 2.1** The liaison committee provides a forum for the local community to discuss developments at Wennington Quarry and affords the opportunity to disseminate information on the environment and impact of operations on local people.
- 2.2** The Liaison Committee's Terms of Reference allow for Rainham & Wennington Ward Councillors to attend the committee, and in May 2023, Councillor Jacqueline McArdle was appointed as the Council's representative.
- 2.3** Councillor McArdle subsequently resigned and Councillor Sarah Edwards has indicated that she would be willing to fill the vacancy until May 2026.

**IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS**

**Financial implications and 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 and cost is minimal.

**Legal implications and risks:**

These appointments are administrative and have no direct legal implications or risks. However, Members who sit on outside bodies will need to consider whether (a) they are required to register their interests with the Council and, where appropriate, declare the interests at meetings and (b) seek advice when they are potentially involved in Council decisions that may affect the outside body. As there is no remuneration for the appointments, they are very unlikely to be discloseable pecuniary interests. Trustee status means that the trustee must always act in the best interests of the trust. The Monitoring Officer is available to provide advice as and when necessary.

**Human Resources implications and risks:**

There are none directly associated with this report.

**Equalities implications and risks:**

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

**Environmental implications and risks:**

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There are none directly associated with this report.