

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL

HELD AT 7.30 P.M. ON WEDNESDAY, 16 MAY 2007

**THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 1ST FLOOR, TOWN HALL, MULBERRY PLACE, 5
CLOVE CRESCENT, LONDON, E14 2BG**

Members Present:

Councillor Helal Abbas	Councillor Ann Jackson
Councillor Ohid Ahmed	Councillor Denise Jones
Councillor Rajib Ahmed	Councillor Dr. Emma Jones
Councillor Rofique U Ahmed	Councillor Azizur Rahman Khan
Councillor Anwara Ali	Councillor Rania Khan
Councillor Shahed Ali	Councillor Shiria Khatun
Councillor M. Shahid Ali	Councillor Abdul Matin
Councillor Tim Archer	Councillor Abjol Miah
Councillor Abdul Asad	Councillor Fozol Miah
Councillor Rupert Bawden	Councillor Abdul Munim
Councillor Lutfa Begum	Councillor Tim O'Flaherty
Councillor Alibor Choudhury	Councillor Ahmed Adam Omer
Councillor Shamim A. Chowdhury	Councillor Joshua Peck
Councillor Stephanie Eaton	Councillor Lutfur Rahman
Councillor Rupert Eckhardt	Councillor Oliur Rahman
Councillor Marc Francis	Councillor M. Mamun Rashid
Councillor Peter Golds	Councillor Simon Rouse
Councillor Shafiqul Haque	Councillor Mohammed Abdus Salique
Councillor Carli Harper-Penman	Councillor A A Sardar
Councillor Clair Hawkins	Councillor Bill Turner
Councillor Alexander Heslop	Councillor Dulal Uddin
Councillor Ahmed Hussain	Councillor Abdal Ullah
Councillor Sirajul Islam	Councillor Salim Ullah
Councillor Waiseul Islam	Councillor Motin Uz-Zaman

1. TO ELECT A MAYOR OF THE BOROUGH TO HOLD OFFICE UNTIL THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL IN 2008

Councillor Haque addressed the meeting on his year in office during which time he had raised £55,000 for his charities The Daneford Trust and Tower Hamlets Summer University.

Councillor Denise Jones responded on behalf of the Council. Councillors Simon Rouse, Oliur Rahman, Shahed Ali, Abjol Miah and Stephanie Eaton also addressed the meeting on the Mayor's year in office.

Moved by Councillor Denise Jones, **Seconded** by Councillor Sirajul Islam and

RESOLVED that Councillor Ann Jackson be elected as Mayor until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2008.

The Mayor, Councillor Ann Jackson in the chair.

The Mayor then addressed the meeting and set out her proposed programme for the year, together with details of two charities she would be supporting during her mayoralty, the Bethnal Green Tube Disaster Memorial and the Tower Project.

2. TO ELECT A DEPUTY MAYOR OF THE BOROUGH TO HOLD OFFICE UNTIL THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL IN 2008

Moved by Councillor Denise Jones, **Seconded** by Councillor Sirajul Islam and **RESOLVED**

That Councillor Mohammed Shahid Ali be elected as Deputy Mayor until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2008.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Louise Alexander, Shirley Houghton and Philip Briscoe.

RESOLVED

That the apologies for absence be noted.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were made.

5. MINUTES

5.1 Minutes 28th February 2007

RESOLVED

That subject to the following amendments, the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 28th February, 2007 be confirmed as a correct record of the proceedings and the Mayor be authorised to sign them accordingly:-

1. Item 6.2 to be corrected to reflect that Councillor Joshua Peck responded to the supplementary question from Mr Terry Wells.

2. Item 2 to be corrected to show that Councillor Bill Turner's declaration of interest was made as he was on secondment to the East London and City Mental Health Trust.

5.2 Minutes 8th March 2007

RESOLVED

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Thursday 8th March, 2007 were confirmed as a correct record.

5.3 Minutes 10th April 2007

RESOLVED

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 10th April, 2007 were confirmed as a correct record.

6. TO RECEIVE ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR AND THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

No announcements were made.

7. TO ELECT THE LEADER AND DEPUTY LEADER OF THE COUNCIL

Moved by Councillor Carli Harper-Penman, **Seconded** by Councillor Mohammed Shahid Ali and

RESOLVED that Councillor Denise Jones be elected as Leader of the Council until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2008.

Moved by Councillor Denise Jones, **Seconded** by Councillor Carli Harper-Penman and

RESOLVED that Councillor Sirajul Islam be elected Deputy Leader of the Council to hold office until the Annual Meeting of the Council in May 2008.

8. TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE CABINET

The Chief Executive tabled a report which informed the Council of the proposed appointment of Cabinet members for the municipal year 2007/2008 together with allocated portfolios.

Moved by Councillor Denise Jones, **Seconded** by Councillor Sirajul Islam

That the Cabinet comprise 10 Members and those Members with the allocated portfolios, as set out in the tabled schedule be appointed thereto.

Moved as an amendment by Councillor Peter Golds, **Seconded** by Councillor Tim Archer

That the Cabinet be reduced to a membership of 8 by the merger of the post of Lead Member Culture with Lead Member Children's Services and the merger of the post of Lead Member Regeneration, Localisation and Community Partnerships with Lead Member Development and Housing.

The Mayor put the amendment to the vote and it was **LOST**.

The Mayor then put the substantive motion to the vote and it was

RESOLVED that the Cabinet comprise 10 Members and those Members with the allocated portfolios, as set out in the tabled schedule (attached at Appendix A) be appointed thereto.

For ease of reference the members appointed to the Cabinet and their allocated portfolios are set out below

Councillor Denise Jones	-	Leader of the Council
Councillor Sirajul Islam	-	Deputy Leader of the Council
Councillor Clair Hawkins	-	Lead Member, Children's Services
Councillor Ohid Ahmed	-	Lead Member, Regeneration, Localisation and Community Partnerships
Councillor Abdul Asad	-	Lead Member, Employment and Skills
Councillor Motin Uz-Zaman	-	Lead Member, Health and Wellbeing
Councillor Abdal Ullah	-	Lead Member, Cleaner, Safer, Greener
Councillor Joshua Peck	-	Lead Member, Resources and Performance
Councillor Shiria Khatun	-	Lead Member, Culture
Councillor Rupert Bawden	-	Lead Member, Development and Housing

9. REVIEW OF PROPORTIONALITY AND ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEES/PANELS OF THE COUNCIL

The Council discussed the circulated report which reviewed proportionality as required by sections 15-17 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 and which also set out the Committees and Panels to be established for the Municipal Year 2007/08.

Moved by Councillor Denise Jones, **Seconded** by Councillor Sirajul Islam and

RESOLVED

1. That the review of proportionality be noted.
2. The Committees and Panels be established for the Municipal Year 2007/08, and the proposed allocation of places be agreed as set out below.
 - a) Committees/panels covered by the requirement for proportionality:

Committee	Total	Labour	Respect	Conservative	Liberal Democrat
Development	9	5	2	1	1
Strategic Development	9	5	2	1	1
General Purposes	7	4	1	1	1
Human Resources	7	4	1	1	1
Appeals	9	5	2	1	1
Pensions & Accounts	7	4	1	1	1
Overview & Scrutiny (plus 5 co-opted members)	9	5	2	1	1
Health Scrutiny Panel	7	4	1	1	1
Licensing	15	8	3	2	2

b) Committee not covered by the requirement for proportionality:

	total	Labour	Respect	Conservative	Liberal Democrat
Standards (plus 5 independ't members)	4	1	1	1	1

10. APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEES/PANELS OF THE COUNCIL

The Chief Executive tabled a report which informed the Council of the nominations received from the political groups on the Council for membership of committees/panels of the Authority for the municipal year 2007/2008.

Moved by Councillor Denise Jones, **Seconded** by Councillor Sirajul Islam and

RESOLVED that those Members and Deputies be appointed to the various bodies as set out in the tabled schedule (attached at Appendix B) for the Municipal Year 2007/2008.

11. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO LONDON COUNCILS

The Chief Executive tabled a report which requested the Council to consider making nominations to a number of bodies of London Councils. London Councils had requested the Council to submit its nominations by 1st June which precluded consideration by the General Purposes Committee.

Moved by Councillor Denise Jones, **Seconded** by Councillor Sirajul Islam

RESOLVED that the Members and Deputies be nominated to the various bodies of London Councils as per the tabled schedule (attached at Appendix C).

The meeting ended at 8.50 p.m.

Councillor Ann Jackson
Mayor

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LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING – 16TH MAY 2007

APPOINTMENT OF CABINET MEMBERS – 2007/2008

CABINET

Councillor Denise Jones	-	Leader of the Council
Councillor Sirajul Islam	-	Deputy Leader of the Council
Councillor Clair Hawkins	-	Lead Member, Children's Services
Councillor Abdal Ullah	-	Lead Member, Cleaner, Safer, Greener
Councillor Shiria Khatun	-	Lead Member, Culture
Councillor Rupert Bawden	-	Lead Member, Development and Housing
Councillor Abdul Asad	-	Lead Member, Employment and Skills
Councillor Motin Uz-Zaman	-	Lead Member, Health and Wellbeing
Councillor Ohid Ahmed	-	Lead Member, Regeneration, Localisation and Community Partnerships
Councillor Joshua Peck	-	Lead Member, Resources and Performance

RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) That Councillor Denise Jones be elected as Leader of the Council and Councillor Sirajul Islam be elected as Deputy Leader of the Council, both to hold office until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2008.
- (2) That the Councillors set out above with the named portfolios be appointed to serve as Members of the Cabinet until the Annual Meeting of the Council in 2008.

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LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING

WEDNESDAY 16TH MAY, 2007

**APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEES/PANELS
OF THE COUNCIL**

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10

**REPORT OF THE SERVICE HEAD,
DEMOCRATIC SERVICES**

SUMMARY

1. A separate report at item 9 of the Council Meeting agenda recommends the establishment of committees and panels of the Council as set out in the Constitution; and the allocation of places on those committees and panels in accordance with the proportionality rules.
2. The nominations from political groups for membership of the committees and panels in accordance with the places allocated to each group are attached at Appendix A

RECOMMENDATION

3. That the nominations for membership of committees and panels of the Council and other bodies for the municipal year 2007/08 be agreed as set out at Appendix 1.

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COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 2007-2008
ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING – 16TH MAY, 2007

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STANDARDS COMMITTEE (Four Members of the Council - one Labour, one Respect, one Conservative and one Liberal Democrat Group Member – plus five Independent Members)				
<i>Labour Group Nomination</i>	<i>Respect Group Nomination</i>	<i>Conservative Group Nomination</i>	<i>Liberal Democrat Group Nomination</i>	<i>Independent Members</i>
Cllr Alex Heslop (Deputy – Cllr Ann Jackson)	Cllr Ahmed Hussain	Cllr Shirley Houghton (Deputy – Cllr Dr. Emma Jones)	Cllr Abdul Matin (Deputy – Cllr Stephanie Eaton)	Mr S. Bains Ms. S. Barry Mr P. O'Connor Sister C. Frost Mr M. H. Rahman

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
(Nine members of the Council)

<i>Labour Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Respect Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Conservative Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Liberal Democrat Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>
<p>Cllr Rofique U. Ahmed (Chair) Cllr Helal Abbas Cllr Alibor Choudhury Cllr Ahmed Omer Cllr Lutfur Rahman</p> <p>(Deputies – Cllr Anwara Ali Cllr Waiseul Islam Cllr Md. Abdus Salique)</p>	<p>Cllr Shamim A. Chowdhury Cllr Oliur Rahman</p> <p>(Deputy – Cllr Shahed Ali)</p>	<p>Cllr Rupert Eckhardt</p> <p>(Deputy – Cllr Dr. Emma Jones)</p>	<p>Cllr Tim O’Flaherty</p> <p>(Deputies – Cllr Azizur Rahman Khan Cllr Stephanie Eaton)</p>

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
(Nine members of the Council)

<i>Labour Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Respect Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Conservative Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Liberal Democrat Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Nominated/ Co-opted Members</i>
<p>Cllr Marc Francis (Chair) Cllr Alibor Choudhury Cllr Alex Heslop Cllr Md. Abdus Salique Cllr Salim Ullah</p> <p>(Deputies – Cllr A. A. Sardar Cllr Bill Turner)</p>	<p>Cllr Shahed Ali Cllr Ahmed Hussain</p> <p>(Deputies – Cllr Shamim A. Chowdhury Cllr Rania Khan Cllr Abjol Miah)</p>	<p>Cllr Peter Golds</p> <p>(Deputy – Cllr Timothy Archer)</p>	<p>Cllr Stephanie Eaton</p> <p>(Deputy – Cllr Louise Alexander)</p>	<p>Mr Hassan Muennuddin – Muslim Community nomination</p> <p>Mr Danny McLaughlin – Roman Catholic Diocese of Westminster nomination</p> <p>Parent Governor nomination – currently awaited</p> <p>Parent Governor nomination – currently awaited</p> <p>A nomination from the Church of England is currently awaited</p>

STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

(Nine members of the Council to include 3 members of Development Committee and 2 members of the Cabinet)

<i>Labour Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Respect Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Conservative Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Liberal Democrat Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>
<p>Cllr Rofique U. Ahmed (Chair) Cllr Helal U. Abbas Cllr Md. Shahid Ali Cllr Sirajul Islam Cllr Josh Peck</p> <p>(Deputies – Cllr Ohid Ahmed Cllr Alibor Choudhury Cllr Motin Uz-Zaman)</p>	<p>Cllr Shamim A. Chowdhury Cllr Rania Khan</p> <p>(Deputy – Cllr Shahed Ali)</p>	<p>Cllr Simon Rouse</p> <p>(Deputy – Cllr Timothy Archer)</p>	<p>Cllr Louise Alexander</p> <p>(Deputy – Cllr Stephanie Eaton)</p>

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE
(Seven members of the Council)

***Labour Group Nominations
(and deputies)***

***Respect Group
Nominations (and deputies)***

***Conservative Group
Nominations (and deputies)***

***Liberal Democrat Group
Nominations (and deputies)***

Cllr Shafiqul Haque (Chair)
Cllr Carli Harper-Penman
Cllr Waiseul Islam
Cllr Lutfur Rahman

(Deputy –
Cllr Md. Shahid Ali)

Cllr M. Mamun Rashid

Cllr Philip Briscoe

(Deputy –
Cllr Peter Golds)

Cllr Rajib Ahmed

(Deputy –
Cllr Stephanie Eaton)

LICENSING COMMITTEE
(Fifteen members of the Council)

<i>Labour Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Respect Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Conservative Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Liberal Democrat Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>
<p>Cllr Carli Harper-Penman (Chair) Cllr Anwara Ali Cllr Md. Shahid Ali Cllr Marc Francis Cllr Alex Heslop Cllr Waiseul Islam Cllr Lutfur Rahman Cllr Bill Turner</p> <p>(Deputies – Cllr Helal U. Abbas Cllr Shafiqul Haque</p>	<p>Cllr Fozol Miah Cllr M. Mamun Rashid Cllr Dulal Uddin</p> <p>(Deputy – Cllr Shahed Ali)</p>	<p>Cllr Shirley Houghton Cllr Rupert Eckhardt</p> <p>(Deputies – Cllr Philip Briscoe Cllr Peter Golds)</p>	<p>Cllr Rajib Ahmed Cllr Azizur Rahman Khan</p> <p>(Deputy – Cllr Stephanie Eaton)</p>

PENSIONS AND ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE
(Seven members of the Council)

<i>Labour Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Respect Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Conservative Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Liberal Democrat Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>
<p>Cllr Bill Turner Cllr Shafiqul Haque Cllr Waiseul Islam Cllr Josh Peck</p> <p>(Deputy – Cllr Rofique U. Ahmed)</p>	<p>Cllr Fozol Miah</p>	<p>Cllr Tim Archer</p> <p>(Deputy – Cllr Simon Rouse)</p>	<p>Cllr Louise Alexander</p> <p>(Deputies – Cllr Rajib Ahmed Cllr Stephanie Eaton)</p>

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE
(Seven members of the Council)

<i>Labour Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Respect Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Conservative Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Liberal Democrat Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>
<p>Cllr Anwara Ali (Chair) Cllr Helal U. Abbas Cllr Shafiqul Haque Cllr A. A. Sardar</p> <p>(Deputy – Cllr Carli Harper-Penman)</p>	<p>Cllr M. Abdul Munim</p>	<p>Cllr Philip Briscoe</p> <p>(Deputy – Cllr Peter Golds)</p>	<p>Cllr Rajib Ahmed</p> <p>(Deputy – Cllr Stephanie Eaton)</p>

APPEALS COMMITTEE
(Nine members of the Council)

<i>Labour Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Respect Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Conservative Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Liberal Democrat Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>
<p>Cllr Ahmed Omer (Chair) Cllr Anwara Ali Cllr Md. Abdus Salique Cllr A. A. Sardar Cllr Salim Ullah</p> <p>(Deputy – Cllr Bill Turner)</p>	<p>Cllr Rania Khan Cllr Oliur Rahman</p>	<p>Cllr Tim Archer</p> <p>(Deputy – Cllr Shirley Houghton)</p>	<p>Cllr Abdul Matin</p> <p>(Deputies – Cllr Tim O’Flaherty Cllr Stephanie Eaton)</p>

HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL
(Seven members of the Council)

<i>Labour Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Respect Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Conservative Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Liberal Democrat Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>
<p>Cllr Shafiqul Haque Cllr Waiseul Islam Cllr Ann Jackson Cllr A. A. Sardar</p> <p>(Deputies – Cllr Alibor Choudhury Cllr Ahmed Omer)</p>	<p>Cllr Lutfu Begum</p>	<p>Cllr Dr. Emma Jones</p> <p>(Deputy – Cllr Rupert Eckhardt)</p>	<p>Cllr Tim O’Flaherty</p> <p>(Deputies – Cllr Azizur Rahman Khan Cllr Stephanie Eaton)</p>

PERMANENT PLACEMENTS PANEL
 (To comprise two Social Workers, one Member of the Cabinet, three Independent Persons and to include one man and one woman, up to a maximum of ten persons)

<i>Labour Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Respect Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Conservative Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Liberal Democrat Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>
Cllr Bill Turner	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

FOSTERING PANEL

(To comprise two Social Workers, one elected Member and four Independent Persons, up to a maximum of ten persons)

<i>Labour Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Respect Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Conservative Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Liberal Democrat Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>
Cllr Ann Jackson	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

CHILDREN/ADULTS (ACCESS TO FILES) PANEL

(To comprise three Members of the Council; only one of whom may also be a Cabinet member)

***Labour Group Nominations
(and deputies)***

***Respect Group
Nominations (and deputies)***

***Conservative Group
Nominations (and deputies)***

***Liberal Democrat Group
Nominations (and deputies)***

Cllr Clair Hawkins
Cllr Waiseul Islam

Cllr Fozol Miah

Not applicable

Not applicable

STANDING ADVISORY COUNCIL ON RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (SACRE)
 (To comprise members appointed by the LEA)

<i>Labour Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Respect Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Conservative Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Liberal Democrat Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>
Cllr A. A. Sardar	Cllr Lutfa Begum	Not applicable	Not applicable

SCHOOLS ORGANISATION COMMITTEE

(Seven Members of the Council – To comprise Lead Member, Children’s Services, three other Majority Group Members and one Respect, one Conservative and one Liberal Democrat Group Member)

<i>Labour Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Respect Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Conservative Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>	<i>Liberal Democrat Group Nominations (and deputies)</i>
Cllr Helal U. Abbas Cllr Marc Francis Cllr Clair Hawkins Cllr Waiseul Islam	Cllr Rania Khan	Cllr Peter Golds (Deputy – Cllr Simon Rouse)	No nomination

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

WEDNESDAY 16th MAY, 2007

**APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES TO
LONDON COUNCILS COMMITTEES
AND FORUMS**

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11

**REPORT OF THE SERVICE HEAD,
DEMOCRATIC SERVICES**

SUMMARY

1. This report requests the Council to consider making nominations to a number of bodies of London Councils (formerly the ALG - Association of London Government). London Councils have requested that the Council submit its nominations by 1st June, 2007 which precludes consideration by the General Purposes Committee, which does not meet until 13th June.

RECOMMENDATION

2. The Council is recommended to agree the nominations to London Councils committees and forums as listed in Appendix 1 to this report.

BACKGROUND

3. London Councils plays a unique role in London Government. It is part think-tank and part lobbying organisation and has also established a number of key pan-London bodies and cross-borough partnerships which contribute to the overall governance of London, for example Capital Ambition, the London Centre for Excellence and Consumer Direct.
4. London Councils also works with and funds more than 400 voluntary groups across London providing grants to organisations to tackle a wide range of problems, including economic and social disadvantage

and the promotion of social inclusion, as well as improving the lives of people who live, work in and visit London.

5. In addition London Councils delivers a range of transport-related services on behalf of London's boroughs, including the Freedom Pass and the Taxi Card Schemes; provides a specialist housing advice and research analysis service on behalf of subscribing boroughs; and acts as the employers' organisation for the 32 London boroughs.
6. London Councils' main policy committee is the Leaders' Committee, which comprises Leaders drawn from all London boroughs including Tower Hamlets. To aid its work the organisation has also established a number of committees and forums covering specific policy and service areas. Each committee/forum reflects the overall political balance of London Councils.

CHANGES FOR 2007/08

7. The arrangements for appointment to the London Councils member structures remain largely unchanged from 2006/07. The main change for 2007/08 is the creation of an Executive but the boroughs do not appoint directly to it, appointments come from the party groups. The forums, comprising a member nominated directly from each borough, are substantially unchanged apart for some changes to the titles and the merging into a single body of the forums dealing with culture & tourism and London 2012.
8. Council will note that it has been agreed to discontinue the London Housing Unit Committee (LHUC) from 2008 so this will be the last year that those boroughs in membership of LHUC will nominate to it. The Greater London Provincial Council (GLPC) Employers' Side now comprises 15 members nominated from the combined membership of the Leaders' Committee and the Greater London Employment Forum.

NOMINATIONS

9. Appointment of representatives to external bodies such as London Councils falls within the remit of the Council's General Purposes Committee. However, London Councils has asked for nominations by 1st June, 2007 and the General Purposes Committee is not scheduled to meet until 13th June, 2007. Accordingly this report has been prepared for consideration by full Council.

APPENDIX 1

LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS

NOMINATIONS TO LONDON COUNCILS COMMITTEES/FORUMS 2007/08

Leaders Committee (s101 Joint Committee)	Cllr Denise Jones Cllr Sirajul Islam (Deputy)
Transport and Environment Committee (Associated Joint Committee)	Cllr Abdal Ullah Cllr Alibor Choudhury (Deputy) Cllr Mohammed Shahid Ali (Deputy) Cllr Ann Jackson (Deputy)
Grants Committee (Associated Joint Committee)	Cllr Ahmed Omer Cllr A. A. Sardar (Deputy) Cllr Waiseul Islam (Deputy) Cllr Lutfur Rahman (Deputy) Cllr Salim Ullah (Deputy)
London Housing Unit Committee (Sectoral Joint Committee)	Cllr Denise Jones Cllr Rupert Bawden (Deputy)
London Housing Unit Executive Sub-Committee	Cllr Rupert Bawden Cllr Alex Heslop (Deputy)
Health and Adult Services Forum	Cllr Motin Uz-Zaman Cllr Ahmed Omer (Deputy)
Housing Forum	Cllr Rupert Bawden Cllr Alex Heslop (Deputy)
Culture, Tourism and 2012 Forum	Cllr Shiria Khatun Cllr Denise Jones (Deputy)
Crime and Public Protection Forum	Cllr Abdal Ullah Cllr A. A. Sardar (Deputy)
Economic Development Forum	Cllr Ohid Ahmed Cllr Abdul Asad (Deputy)
Children and Young People Forum	Cllr Clair Hawkins Cllr Bill Turner (Deputy)
Greater London Employment Forum	Cllr Abdul Asad Cllr Anwara Ali (Deputy)
London Caribbean Partnership Group	Cllr Ahmed Omer
BAME Councillors' Network	A forum to enable London's Black, Asian & minority ethnic councillors to discuss issues of common concern. Open to all BM&E councillors.

Women Councillors' Network	A network for London's women councillors to discuss issues of common concern. Open to all women councillors.
London Irish Councillors' Network	A forum for all London councillors of Irish origin or background.
Lead Members	Lead Members for Equalities, Improvement and Sustainability are appointed by the Leaders' Committee. These are not nominated directly by boroughs but appointed at the AGM from candidates put forward by the party groups.