

Meeting of the

APPOINTMENTS SUB COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 13 October 2009 at 10.00 a.m.

AGENDA –SECTION ONE

M71 SEVENTH FLOOR

TOWN HALL, MULBERRY PLACE, 5 CLOVE CRESCENT, LONDON, E14 2BG

Members: Deputies (if any):

Chair: To be elected at Appointments Sub

To be elected at Appointments Sub Committee to be held on 9th October

2009.

Vice-Chair: To be elected at Appointments Sub

Committee to be held on 9th October

2009.

Councillor Ohid Ahmed

Councillor Anwara Ali

Councillor Marc Francis

Councillor Peter Golds

Councillor Azizur Rahman Khan

Councillor Abjol Miah

Councillor Lutfur Rahman

[Note: The quorum for this body is 3 Members].

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

To receive any apologies for absence.

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2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To note any declarations of interest made by Members, including those restricting Members from voting on the questions detailed in Section 106 of the Local Government Finance Act, 1992. See attached note from the Chief Executive.

3. UNRESTRICTED MINUTES (TO FOLLOW)

To confirm as a correct record of the proceedings the unrestricted minutes of the Appointments Sub-Committee held on 9th October 2009.

4. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

In view of the contents of the remaining items on the agenda, the Sub-Committee is recommended to adopt the following motion:

"That, under the provisions of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting for the consideration of the Section Two business on the grounds that it contains information defined as Exempt in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972."

EXEMPT/CONFIDENTIAL SECTION (PINK)

The Exempt/Confidential (Pink) Committee papers in the Agenda will contain information which is commercially, legally or personally sensitive and should not be divulged to third parties. If you do not wish to retain these papers after the meeting please hand them to the Committee Officer present.

5. EXEMPT MINUTES (TO FOLLOW)

To confirm as a correct record of the proceedings the exempt/ confidential minutes of the Appointments Sub-Committee held on 9th October 2009.

6. RECOMMENDATION OF APPOINTMENT TO THE POST OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE (TO FOLLOW)

To consider the report of the Joint Director of Human Resources, receive a presentation from and subsequently interview the short listed candidates for the post of Chief Executive, and to make recommendations to the Council on that appointment.



Agenda Item 2

NOTE FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

This note is guidance only. Members should consult the Council's Code of Conduct for further details. Note: Only Members can decide if they have an interest therefore they must make their own decision. If in doubt as to the nature of an interest it is advisable to seek advice **prior** to attending at a meeting.

Declaration of interests for Members

Where Members have a personal interest in any business of the authority as described in paragraph 4 of the Council's Code of Conduct (contained in part 5 of the Council's Constitution) then s/he must disclose this personal interest as in accordance with paragraph 5 of the Code. Members must disclose the existence and nature of the interest at the start of the meeting and certainly no later than the commencement of the item or where the interest becomes apparent.

You have a **personal interest** in any business of your authority where it relates to or is likely to affect:

- (a) An interest that you must register
- (b) An interest that is not on the register, but where the well-being or financial position of you, members of your family, or people with whom you have a close association, is likely to be affected by the business of your authority more than it would affect the majority of inhabitants of the ward affected by the decision.

Where a personal interest is declared a Member may stay and take part in the debate and decision on that item.

<u>What constitutes a prejudicial interest?</u> - Please refer to paragraph 6 of the adopted Code of Conduct.

Your personal interest will also be a <u>prejudicial interest</u> in a matter if (a), (b) <u>and</u> either (c) or (d) below apply:-

- (a) A member of the public, who knows the relevant facts, would reasonably think that your personal interests are so significant that it is likely to prejudice your judgment of the public interests; AND
- (b) The matter does not fall within one of the exempt categories of decision listed in paragraph 6.2 of the Code; AND EITHER
- (c) The matter affects your financial position or the financial interest of a body with which you are associated; or
- (d) The matter relates to the determination of a licensing or regulatory application

The key points to remember if you have a prejudicial interest in a matter being discussed at a meeting:-

- i. You must declare that you have a prejudicial interest, and the nature of that interest, as soon as that interest becomes apparent to you; and
- ii. You must leave the room for the duration of consideration and decision on the item and not seek to influence the debate or decision unless (iv) below applies; and

- iii. You must not seek to <u>improperly influence</u> a decision in which you have a prejudicial interest.
- iv. If Members of the public are allowed to speak or make representations at the meeting, give evidence or answer questions about the matter, by statutory right or otherwise (e.g. planning or licensing committees), you can declare your prejudicial interest but make representations. However, you must immediately leave the room once you have finished your representations and answered questions (if any). You cannot remain in the meeting or in the public gallery during the debate or decision on the matter.